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Dental Clinic Tournament Winners (left to right): David Hill, Loretta Bell and Donald Alexander. **photo submitted**

Madoc's Junior Lawn Bowler's Second Consecutive Win

Madoc Lawn Bowling Club junior, Donald Alexander skipped his team to win the Dental Clinic Tournament played on Saturday, August 2 in Madoc.

Donald's team members were Loretta Bell(vice) and David Hill (lead).

There were sixteen teams present from locations as diverse as Kenron, Trenton, Colborne, Cobourg, Brighton, Belleville and Madoc.

Second place team was from Kingston LBC skipped by Gene Miller, (vice) Linda Miller and (lead) Betty Francis.

Two game Hi winners was a team from Kenron- Larry Wilson, Bill Branyon and Elva Wilson. One Game Hi was a team from Kingston- Dianne Lebrie, Mike Rehner and Doug Henderson.

Last Game Hi points winners were Peter Nayler (Madoc) , Pat Brooks and Norma Kearns(Kingston).

Mail carriers become 'eyes and ears'

Canada Post and Community Care for Central Hastings have formed a partnership to enhance the safety of seniors and physically disabled adults in the area. The new program, Rural Mail Carriers Alert Program will start Sept. 1st. The program was announced by Pat Dobb, (left), CCCH executive director , Sharon Mindle, CCCH program co-ordinator and Tweed Postmaster Dianne Scriver,(right).

Tweed – The safety of seniors and physically disabled adults in the area, particularly those living in rural areas, will increase this fall when a new program starts Sept. 1st. Canada Post and Community Care for Central Hastings are joining together to offer the Rural Mail CarriersAlert Program. The program, which will involve all the post offices in the area and rural carriers, is another partnership.CCCH has formed to ensure their clients can have the confidence that should they require some form of assistance it will be available.

Pat Dobb, executive director of CCCH said the carriers will keep an eye out

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Beef ban affects dairy farmers, too

The impact of the BSE fallout on the dairy industry is of increasing concern to dairy producers. During the first few weeks of the export ban, dairy producers remained optimistic that, once the scientific inquiry conducted by the federal government was completed, borders would reopen. That optimism is now gone.

"Dairy producers do not know how or when they will be able to sell their older cows," said Jean Grégoire, President of Dairy Farmers of Canada. "There are too few abattoirs in Canada and they are not taking more animals, especially if they are over 30 months of age, like culled dairy cows. About 70% of culled dairy cows were exported to the United States and Mexico before one case of BSE was found in Canada."

According to information gathered by the Canadian Livestock and Genetics Association, export sales of dairy replacement heifers in 2003 were on track to top 100,000 head with a value of $200 million. As of May 20, 37,000 head valued at $69 million had been shipped. Traditionally, about 65% of exported heifers go to the United States.

The sales value of dairy calves, replacement heifers and culled cows is estimated at about $1.5 million a day. Not only are producers losing revenue from the sales of those animals but they are now faced with the expense of maintaining them and dealing with the extra milk that will be produced as bred animals continue to calve.

All indications point to a "phased" re-opening of the border based on the perceived risk of various products. The first live animals to cross are likely to be those younger than 30 months that are destined for slaughter. However, such a limited opening of the border would not help the dairy industry, as replacement heifers and culled cows would still face a closed border.

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Mail carriers will work with CCCH

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for any signs someone registered with CCCH may need help. The carrier would then inform Community Care that someone may be in need of assistance and they then would contact the person to ensure everything is fine.

"This is a new extension of our Reassurance Program and ensures the well being and safety of our clients. There is no charge for this service," Ms. Dobb said, "but interested people must register with CCCH to participate in the program."

Dianne Scriver, Tweed postmaster, stressed that the carriers would only be contacting CCCH if they felt someone may need assistance. She said no information would be given to anyone else. By taking part in the program the postal workers will be an additional set of "eyes and ears" for Community Care, she said.

This is the first of three new programs being launched by Community Care in the next few months. If you'd be interested in hearing more about this or other programs or if you're interested in participating in this program please contact Community Care at 478-2273 or 1-800-554-1564.

Cottage ownership costs

(O.P.S.) After years of saving and dreaming, you've decided to buy a cottage. Now what?

"Buying a cottage is the second-biggest financial commitment you will make, next to buying a house," says Tom Hards, FCA, a partner with Hards Pearson Chartered Accountants in Barrie. "You need to think carefully about whether it suits your lifestyle and whether you can afford it."

A mortgage or loan payments may be just the beginning when it comes to the real costs of cottage ownership. "Property taxes are rising exponentially," Hards explains. "Then there is the ongoing care and maintenance. As well, you need insurance for vandalism and fire, which can be very expensive if your cottage is a long way from a hydrant or fire station."

If you want to use the cottage year-round, you will incur heating and snow removal costs, as well as the cost of travel to and from the cottage. "People tend to really underestimate the commitment, of time and money," says Hards.

To see if you would get your money's worth out of your cottage, Hards suggests working out its cost on a per-visit basis. "When you apply the total annual cost to about 75 days a year it can be a real eye-opener," he says.

Upgrades and renovations also add to the cost of cottage ownership. "If you make improvements, be sure to keep detailed records, photos and invoices," advises Chartered Accountant Sandra Bussey, a Senior Principal with KPMG LLP in Waterloo. "The amount spent on improvements is added to your original cost to create your adjusted cost base. When you sell, the adjusted cost base is subtracted from the net sales proceeds to work out your capital gain. The higher the adjusted cost base, the lower the capital gain."

One way to defray some of your costs is to rent the cottage out to others. You must report the rental income, but you are entitled to claim a percentage of your expenses.

"If you decide to rent your cottage out, be prepared for the fact that the tenants may not treat it with the same respect that you do," says Hards. "You will also need to make sure you have enough insurance to cover your liability. If you are on a septic system or have a well, you will also need to educate the tenants on how to keep the system working properly."

Cottage owners should also consider the property in their overall estate plan. For example, if you want to leave the cottage to your children, you may want to consider purchasing a life insurance policy to cover the capital gains tax.

"Once you bring your cottage into your estate plan it can get complicated," says Bussey. "If you have more than one child, it may be difficult to divide the asset fairly." If that's the case, Bussey says it can make more sense to sell the cottage and make the proceeds part of your estate.

If you do intend to sell your cottage at some point, you may be able to shelter all or a portion of the capital gains taxes by designating it as your principal residence for one or more years. "As well, if you sell the cottage and take back a mortgage, there are mechanisms to bring in the capital gains over time, so you can match your tax liability with your cash flow," says Bussey.

A chartered accountant can help with the complex issues around cottage ownership.

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The Westben man of many capacities

But Finley's talents as pianist appear to get overlooked

By Rolly Ethier

The hands deftly glide along the key board in a superb erpretation of Beethoven's nata in A Major, Op. 69. As a listener you realize t Brian Finley's sizeable ents as a concert pianist d composer tend to be erlooked until the time he es the stage and provides eady reminder. While he ay also be Artistic and anaging Director of the estben Arts Festival Thea-, the man who coordinates ose beautifully-presented ncerts at the Barn, Brian also a superior pianist. On s particular night he was aming up with the great nadian cellist Thomas iebe in a delightful two-an Music of the Night esentation of the works of ach, Mendelssohn, eethoven and achmaninoff.

Together with his wife onna Bennett, Finley is best nown as a driving force ehind the successful evolu-on of Westben as a dynamic usical presence in Eastern ntario.

While Brian attempts to emain in the background as performer, allowing a pa-ade of very distinguished rtists to take most of the otlight, it's hard to ignore is record or his talents. His ackground speaks for it-elf.

He has appeared in more han 10 international piano ompetitions, including the th International Tchaikovsky iano Competition in Mos-ow. He has won all kinds f awards including third rize in the AMSA Interna-ional Competition in Cincinnati and has performed vith orchestras all over the world.

A New Composition

As a composer, Brian has already compiled an impressive record with his own Requiem for a Millennium in 1999 but appears to have barely scratched the surface of success. He also wrote the libretto, composed the music, directed and conducted from the keyboard the musical interpretation of Samson. He did a great musical adaption of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol last year and is is currently working on his next opera called Rapunzel. Teaming up with his wife, Donna Bennett, Brian provided a sample of a musical selection from Rapunzel to the delight of the audience attending the recent West End at Westben concert. But, as a composer, Finley is still young man with a vast potential ahead of him.

The question of what role gives Finley the greatest satisfaction is a difficult question for even him to provide a ready answer.

"Performing is something I've trained and studied for my entire life," says Brian. "I started playing when I was six. So this is a lifelong pursuit that I take quite seriously. But it's now also one part of an incredible array of things I do and enjoy. It's what makes Westben what it is and I love the many facets of the total theatre operation."

As for what Finley enjoys most, he says if he had to pick something special it would probably be the thrill of seeing people realize their potential or seeing people discover music the way he loves it.

"My playing is something I have been thinking about lately," mused Finley. "I really enjoy accompaniment," noting that his Music of the Night concert July 1st with the great Canadian cellist Thomas Wiebe was a personal career highlight.

Lengthy Preparation

Finley said he prepared for that concert oyer a 10-month period because of the difficulty, the depth and intensity level of the music.

"It's basically as hard as it gets for a pianist," he confessed.

Although responsibilities at Westben take considerable time for both Brian and Donna, they still have other music projects ongoing, although they don't allow themselves to stray too far away from Campbellford.

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Brian Finley, Artistic Director, Westben Arts Festival Theatre.

Brian just finished recording with another soprano in Hamilton and he is getting some scores ready for publication in New York. The dynamic pair is also planning more recording projects in the fall and planning to perform a variety of concerts together in Canada.

"It has become increasingly more difficult for us to plan other activities outside the country," explained Brian. "It's just too far away, too complicated and involves too much time away from Westben."

Developing the concert formats and the artist combinations is a special challenge for both Brian and Donna because there is need to keep the programming fresh and innovative.

"A number of the artists themselves provide good input but the basic outline is mine," he said. "I do get a lot of help from Donna in setting up the programs. The Board is very supportive in identifying good marketing strategies because, after all, we do need to sell tickets."

Having performed internationally for years, Donna and Brian belong to a large network of artists and colleagues, a key factor in landing talented artists for Westben. For instance, pianist Philip Thomson is someone Brian met years ago at a music school in Victoria, B.C. Doug Finch is another outstanding Canadian pianist Brian met when he was studying in England.

"My thrill is to bring in all these wonderful artists through personal contact and then figure out interesting combinations to show well in our Westben concerts," explains Finley.

Catering a Feast

Brian says he tries to plan the entire concert season like catering to a huge feast "with appetizers and things that lead you to the next course."

"So if you come to view the whole season as a subscriber you should feel you have devoured this glorious, multi-course dinner. If you come to the odd concert, it's like tasting individual dishes, which is also pretty good fare, too."

Now in his fourth year a the Barn, Brian's love affai with Westben is still ver much evident.

"What I do love about i is the things that make West ben a discovery," he sub mits. "People come here fo the first time wonderin what to expect. But the they run into this magnificer volunteer force in a ver friendly atmosphere. The hear the artists and they re alize this is a glorification o the human spirit. Then the just have to run out and te other people about it."

Trenton site of Rebels' rookie tryout sessions

By Rolly Ethier

Campbellford--The timing may seem inappropria midway through summer barbecues and the golf seaso but hockey is already starting to muscle its way back in the picture.

General Manager Jim Peeling of the Campbellford Rebe has announced that the junior C club will be holding tryo sessions for rookie candidates at the CFB Arena in Tre ton Aug. 16th and 17th. All those young players interested vying for an invitation to attend training camp Oct. 4th a asked to make an appearance for the sessions from 9 a. to 12 noon each day.

Co-coaches Doug (Mugger) Hart and Dave Stewart a hoping to find a number of new candidates to join with t holdovers from last year's squad to once again make t Rebels a strong contender.

Peeling is also pleased to announce that the Canadi Tire Campbellford outlet has joined the Rebels' organiz tion as a corporate sponsor with the 2003-2004 team.

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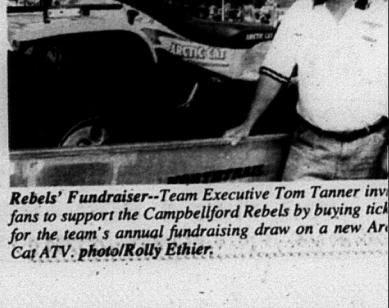

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Cougars take eastern bantam honours

Campbellford--The Eastern Ontario Fastball Bantam playoff tournament was held in Campbellford this past weekend and the Campbellford Cougars, sponsored by Bertrand Motors, captured the championship.

Following a first-place finish in league play, the Bertrand Motors squad's first opponent in the tournament was Kingston, which was easily handled in a 7-2 win. Nolan Fife was on the mound, allowing only three hits.

Early inning play was close with a 3-2 score after two complete innings. The Cougars secured their win by adding two more runs in the third and another pair in the fifth inning. Meanwhile, the Cougars' strong defensive play shut down the Kingston crew. Steve Semenec hit a triple and a single, Joe Lowe had a double, along with Fife, who also singled. Murray Free, Nick Ellis and Jesse Lee also singled.

Nosed Out Napanee

Napanee proved a more worthy opponent in game two with the Cougars winning 2-0 on runs scored in the first and third innings. Pitcher Kyle Arsenault faced the pressure, allowing only three hits, and added seven strikeouts to his record. The Bertrand boys were on the bats with Ken Jones doubling, and singles going to Fife (2), Lee, Free, Semenec, Justin Chrysler and Lowe, who also slugged a triple. Napanee's defensive play kept this a close match.

In game three the Cougars scored five in the first inning and four more in the fourth in an easy 9-1 win over Cobourg. Fife's pitching was dead on, as he surrendered only five hits with no walks. Tyler Allanson had a home run and a single. Lowe doubled along with his single, and Jones, Ellis, Semenec, Lee (2), Corey Arsenault and Kyle Arsenault, all added singles.

The Bertrand Motors bantams are off to Penetanguishene for the All-Ontario Championships this weekend.

Variety of medias at Red Barn

Campbellford--Everything is in readiness as the Spirit of the Hills presents the 4th annual Red Barn Art Show Saturday, August 16 from 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday August 17 from 10 am to 4 pm.

The Red Barn *is a historic building located next to the Arena on Front Street North. It provides a fitting venue for the broad selection of art and sculpture, all by local artists that are members of Spirit of the Hills and the Northumberland Hills Arts Association..*

This year, the show is open to artists in all media, so the show will include a wide assortment of paintings, drawings, photography, sculpture, ceramics, print-making and mixed media. Artists will be on hand to discuss their work and inspiration, and some will even be creating on site before your very eyes.

Participants this year include Rob Cochrane, Gwen Dubay, Jim Dumka, Mary-Lou Dumka, Jennifer Gibson, Donna Goulding, Sue Hawley, Anne Marsan Cook, Mary McEwan, Marie Paquette, George Pichl, Lisa Reford and Terry Self. The show offers free admission.

Rebels' rookie camp in Trenton

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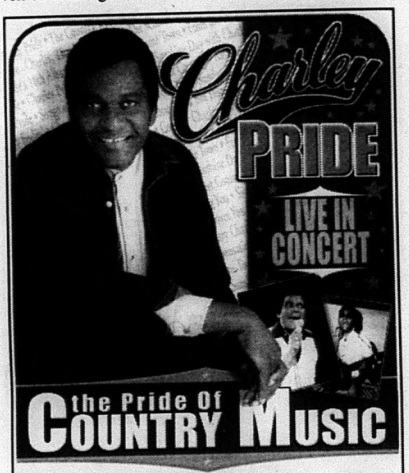
New Uniforms

The defending Empire League junior C champions will have a new uniform look this season, switching from the San Jose Sharks' colours and style to the world champion New Jersey Devils.

Team officials are also happy to announce the return of trainer Jeff Doucette, who has agreed to take over the trainer's duties on a full-time basis.

"Everything is shaping up nicely," stated Peeling. "We are hoping to pick up a few young recruits at the rookie camp to go with some of our seasoned veterans. The team executive is really excited about Steve McCarthy and the Canadian Tire sponsorship getting involved."



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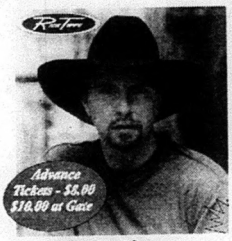
10:00 a.m. - Deadline for exhibits to be placed in the Curling Arena
10:30 a.m. - Doors closed - judging to begin
12:30 p.m. - Cheese judging
5:00 p.m. - Homeniuk Amusements start
6:00-10:00 p.m. - Homecraft Exhibitions & Tea Room in the Curling Arena & Commercial Exhibits in the Arena
6:45 p.m. - Pie Auction (on stage)
7:00 p.m. - OFFICIAL OPENING - Scott Herrington (Gold medal winner, Special Olympics)
8:00 p.m. - RICK TIPPE Concert (co-sponsored by CJBQ Radio, Stirling Merchants & Labatt Blue



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Saturday, August 16th

Sheep Show - 4-H Achievement Day - Beef Achievement Day - Light & Heavy Pony & Horse Draw - Old McBaker's Farm - TRACTOR PULL - Gigantic Antique Display - Hastings County Museum of Agricultural Heritage (open all weekend) - Antique Threshing & Baling Demos - Dairy Display - Poultry Display - Homecraft Exhibits - Commercial Exhibits - Magician - S'LOON DAWGS On Stage

ADMISSION: $5.00 at Gate

00 a.m.	- Arena (Commercial Exhibits) & Curling Arena - Open
	- Homecraft Exhibits & Tea Room in Curling Arena - Ongoing Demonstrations
00 a.m.	- 4-H Achievement Show
00 noon	- Sheep Show - Midway Opens - Light & Heavy Pony Draw - Light & Heavy Horse Draw immediately following Pony Draw
0 & 4:00 p.m.	- Joan the Magician
00-5:00 p.m.	- Rob Clute & Friends (co-sponsored by Q100-FM Radio & Stirling Merchants
45-4:45 p.m.	- Weigh in for Tractor Pull (on Track)
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00 & 8:15 p.m.	- Quinte Bay Cloggers (co-sponsored by Q100-FM Radio & Stirling Merchants)
00-11:00 p.m.	- S'LOON DAWGS in Concert (co-sponsored by Q100-FM Radio & Stirling Merchants)

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Sunday, August 17th

Light & Commercial Horse Show - Beef Show - Goat Show - Pony Rama - Old McBaker's Farm - Dairy Display - Poultry Display - Quinte Bay Cloggers - DEMOLITION DERBY - Giant Antique Display (all day) - Hastings County Museum of Agricultural Heritage (open all weekend)

ADMISSION: $5.00 at Gate

00 a.m.	- Pony Rama
00 a.m.	- Light Horse & Commercial Horse Show
00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	- Homecraft Exhibits & Tea Room (located in Curling Arena)
	- Ongoing Demonstrations - Commercial Exhibits open in Arena
00 a.m.	- Goat Show
2:00 noon	- Homeniuk Amusements begin
00 p.m.	- Beef Show
00-4:00 p.m.	- Quinte Bay Cloggers (co-sponsored by Q100-FM Radio & Stirling Merchants)
30 p.m.	- All Exhibits to be Removed from Curling Arena
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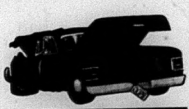

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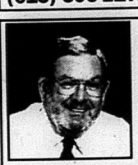

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Annual Fall Gala at Pine Ridge to include Murder Mystery event

Campbellford--This year's Campbellford Memorial Hospital Annual Fall Gala to be held Oct. 18th at the Pine Ridge Golf and Country Club will be sponsored by Freedom 55 Financial of Campbellford.

The black tie event will be complete with a Murder Mystery created by Ken MacDougall of Toronto, who regularly writes for the Stirling Festival Theatre. The CMH Foundation Murder Mystery program has been written to celebrate the hospital's 50th anniversary.

Cocktails will be served at 6 p.m. followed by a beautiful gourmet dinner. Ann Rowe of the Campbellford/ Seymour Heritage Society will be the guest speaker. Her topic: "Fifty years of caring."

A silent auction will be held and later Paul McEvoy will provide music for dancing.

Tickets for the Annual Gala are $100 per person and a tax receipt will be provided for a portion of the ticket price. The event has sold out in past years and is expected to do so again this year. Tickets can be obtained by contacting the CMH Foundation at (705) 653-1140, ext. 2107, or Anne Linton at 653-1250.

The CMH Foundation, established in 1985, is a not-for-profit organization supporting the work of the Campbellford Hospital Campus and its related health care programs and services.

Church demolition accident

Police were called to the scene of a construction accident at the Baptist church in Wicklow July 28th.

A volunteer group from the Wicklow Baptist Church had gathered to demolish the building. A total of 13 men were on hand to take down the church. During the demolition six men were inside when the structure gave way and crashed down.

Four of the men trapped inside were freed by the Haldimand Fire Department and transported to the hospital in Cobourg. None of the injuries were life threatening.

Cancer Society extends thanks

Warkworth--The Warkworth branch of the Canadian Cancer Society has extended thanks to the Warkworth community for their generous support in 2003.

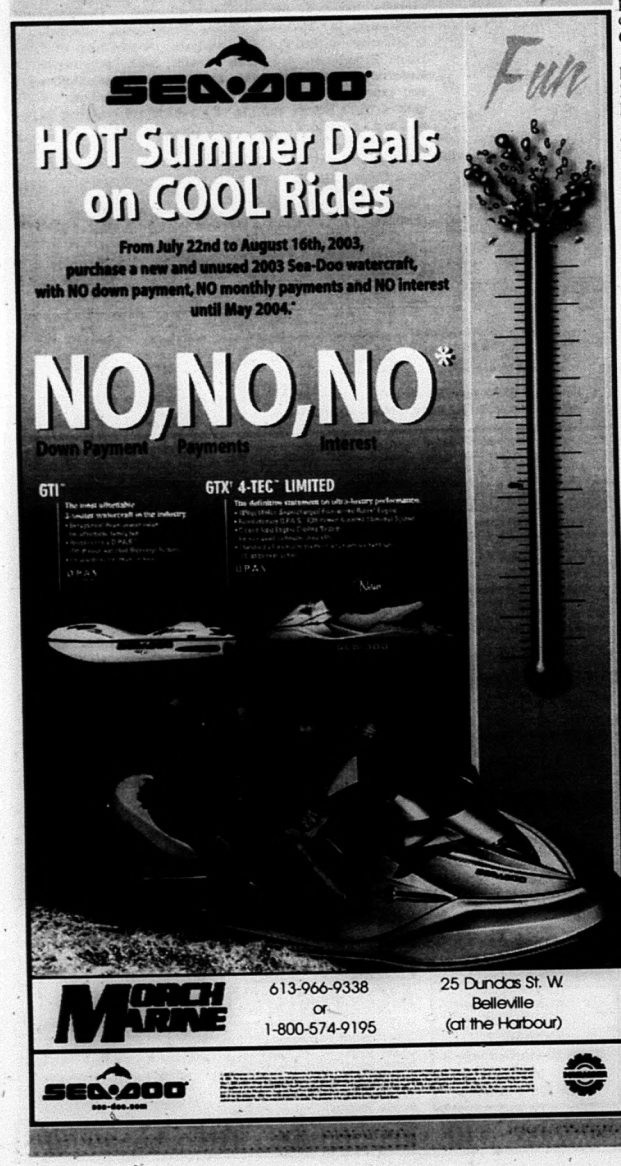
The Society raised $1,081 from daffodil sales and the annual canvass netted $6,521, up $500 from the previous year. The wonderful attendance from the euchre parties brought in $1,057, the sale of luminaries for the Relay of Life made $500 and the In Memoriam reached $4,660 during the current year.

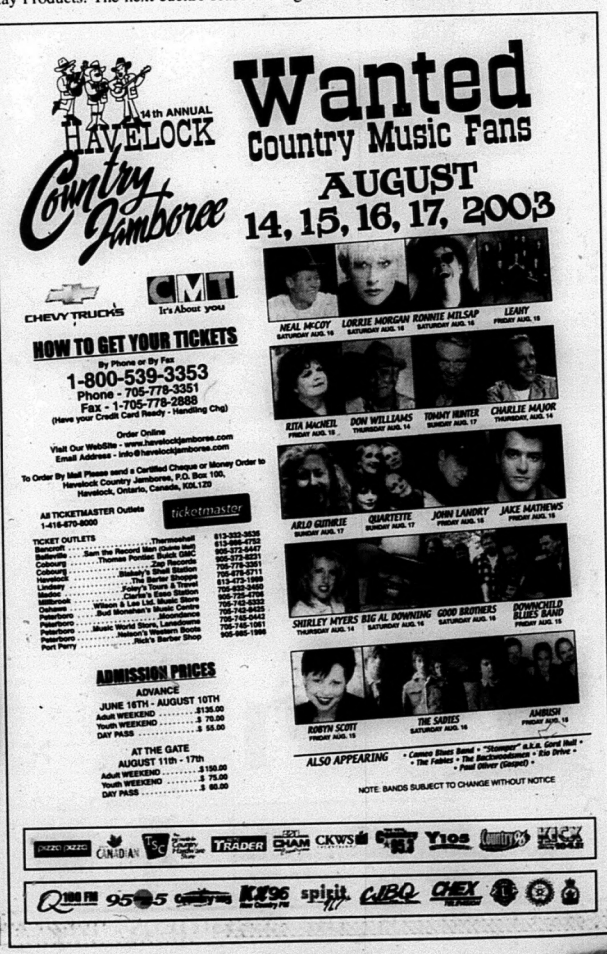
Organizers wish to thank Legion Branch 380 for the use of the Legion Hall for euchre parties. The Royal Bank and the local Post Office were both generous to the Society during inclement weather on Daffodil Day. Also the Society is indebted to the Warkworth Community Service Club for their support.

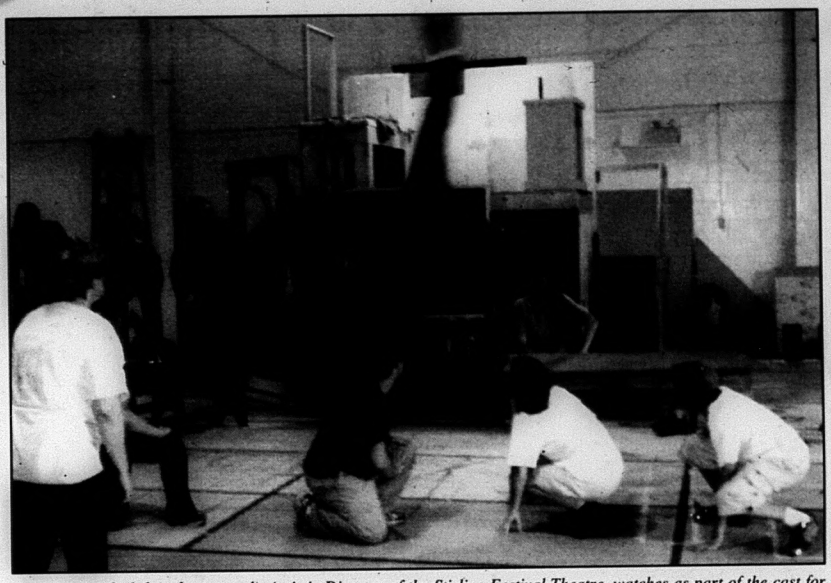
During the final euchre party of the season, the following members were awarded long-service pins: 15 years—Ruth Harren, John Weatherson, Ken Griffiths; 20 years—Muriel Nichols; 10 years—Margaret Campbell, Helen Swann, Mary O'Rourke and Diane Doherty.

Winners on the final night were: Ladies, Helen King, Linda Nelson, 58. Lone hand was Elwood Cornelius. Winners for men: Phil Atkin, 72; Dave Cole, 64. Lone hand—Jack Honey. Door prizes were won by Ruth Dawson and Norma Anderson.

A cheque was handed to Muriel Nichols by Laurie Skinkle for $100 on behalf of Mary Kay Products. The next euchre season will get under way Sept. 23rd.







Caroline Smith (left in foreground), Artistic Director of the Stirling Festival Theatre, watches as part of the cast for Anne of Green Gables surrounds a performer cartwheeling from a table. **photo / Lawrence McAllister**

Play has delighted audiences since 1

The Stirling Festival Theatre is gearing up to perform the Anne of Green Gables musical. The musical version of the classic tale first premiered in Charlottetown in 1972. Filled with lovely costumes, lively dances, witty lyrics and melodic songs, the show features an impressive list of professional performers as well as the talented S.F.T. Young Performers, who were selected for their roles from hundreds of entrants earlier this year.

The show will begin its run on August 13th. For details about performance times and dates, call the Stirling Festival Theatre at 613-395-2100 or 1-877-312-1162.

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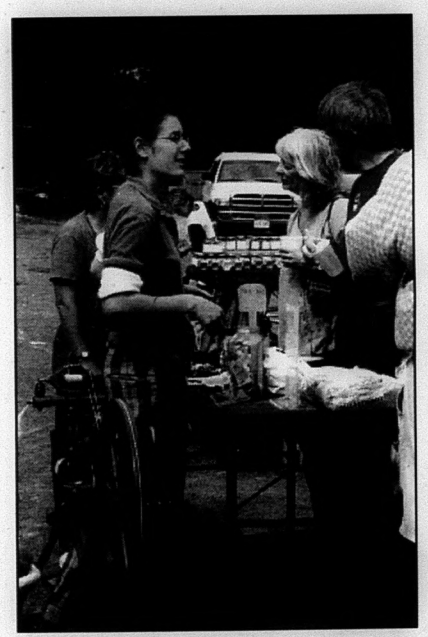

Chantal Leduc, who is off to Burkina Faso with Canada World Youth, explains how her family spins llama wool at the Farmer's Market. photo / Lawrence McAllister

Health Canada warns about proper mattresses for kids

Health Canada advises Canadians that infants and young children should never sleep on mattresses not specifically designed for them

Health Canada is reminding parents and caregivers about the potential hazards of placing infants and young children on mattresses not specifically designed for them. The Department especially advises against letting infants sleep on air mattresses, also known as inflatable mattresses.

Many parents and caregivers are unaware of the hidden dangers associated with placing infants and young children on mattresses or surfaces that are not specifically designed for them, even if an adult is sleeping on the same mattress or surface as the infant or young child.

No soft surfaces

Infants and young children should not be placed on soft mattresses, standard beds, sofas, waterbeds, air mattresses or any other soft surface. Doing so may lead to any of the following dangers:

• The infant or young child becoming entrapped between the mattress and another object, such as a wall.

• The infant or young child falling from elevated surfaces.

• Suffocation as a result of airway obstruction, when the infant or young child is placed face-down.

• Suffocation in soft bedding materials, such as pillows and comforters.

• Suffocation as a result of a baby sleeping with an adult.

'the soft edges of air mattresses create entrapment space that can lead to suffocation'

Air mattresses pose particular hazards for infants. Air mattresses have gained in popularity in Canada, and their use increases during the vacation and summer seasons. The soft edges of these mattresses create entrapment space that can lead to suffocation. Health Canada is aware of one recent incident in Canada where an infant suffocated as a result of being placed to sleep on an air mattress.

To avoid these and other hazards, make sure that infants sleep only in a cradle or a crib (manufactured after September of 1986) with a firm and tight-fitting mattress, that meets current safety standards. As well, make sure to place infants on their backs with all soft bedding and toys removed from the crib or cradle.

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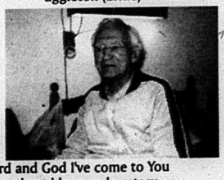

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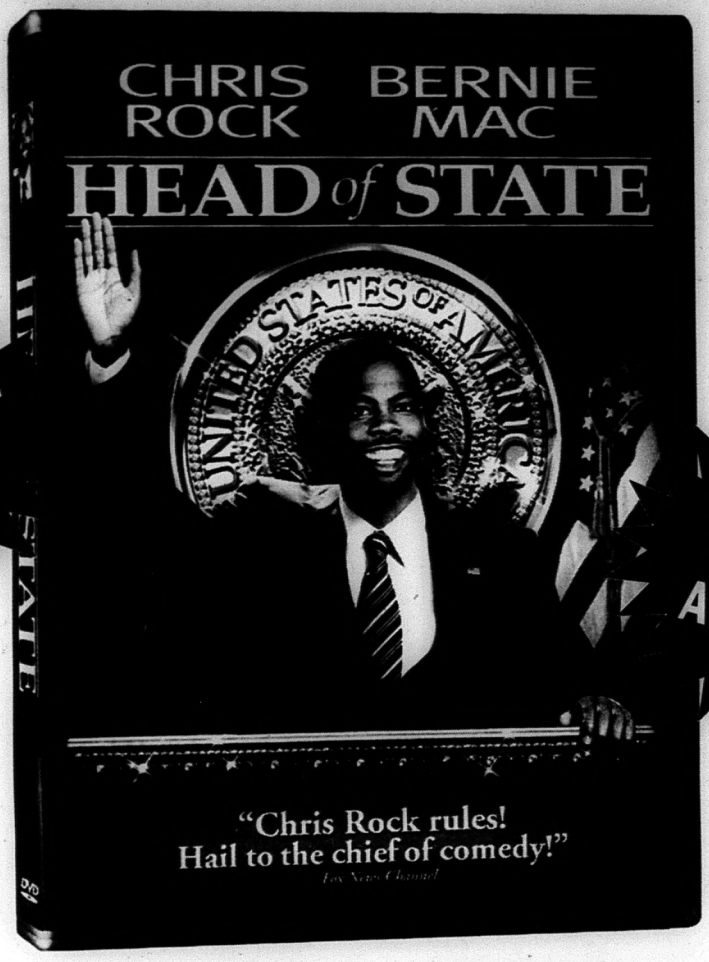

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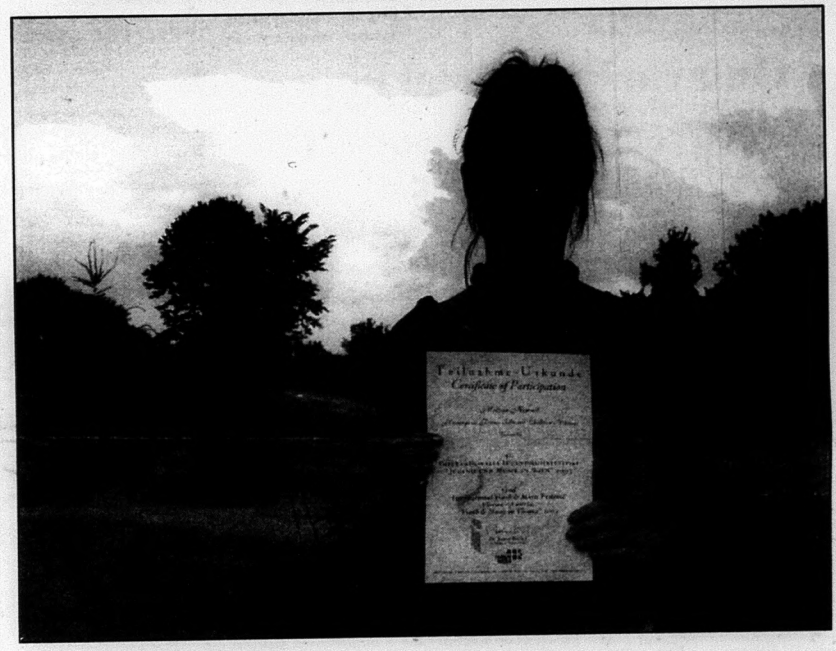
Melissa Newall returns home with choir from Europe



Melissa Newall proudly displays her certificate of participation - written in German, of course - at her home just north of Madoc. The choir performed in both Austria and Germany.
photo/Lawrence McAllister

Hastings and Prince Edwa Choir places third in international festival in Au

By Lawrence McAllister

Melissa Newall returned home last month from Europe, where she spent July 3rd – 15th with the Hastings and Prince Edward Children's Chorus Youth Chorale, taking third place in the 32nd International Youth and Music Festival in Vienna, Austria.

Melissa, 16, was one of 44 youths led by director Rudi Heijdens. Rudi is also the organist and choir director of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Belleville.

In 2000 the choir placed second in the Festival, which is sponsored by the city of Vienna and the Vien harmonic Orchest choir also perfor Ramsau am Dachste burg, and Munich, C

Melissa, along choir, sang two cor pieces in German songs composed by ans. Heijdens was that one of the six ju vited the choir to pe Australia at some ti future. Heijdens is al ing of a trip to Ho 2005 to celebrate anniversary of its li by Canadian troop Second World War

Melissa has been choir for 5 years. lected with four oth a group of 45 in a Madoc Township There are expense ated with the choir works to pay for them, along with h mother Patti, who in a choir when she daughter's age. Me she attends CHSS. she was "nervous plane but not the ance", as the choi performs here at least 3 times a yea the highlights of the said, was perform thousand year old

Patti said few the choir, and not Melissa's friends is in it, but they pressed when they "I always thought good voice, but mother," she said.

OFA/OCA urge Chretien's involvement in re-opening borders to banned beef

The Ontario Cattlemen's Association (OCA) and the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) are intensifying their efforts to get the Canada/U.S. border reopened to Canadian livestock and meat products. A letter has been sent to Prime Minister Chretien urging his direct involvement in these efforts.

The letter points out how critical Canada's livestock industry is to the country's overall economy. "Your federal government has made much of the success provided by the industry (livestock) in increasing agricultural exports and the subsequent increase in jobs and expansion of wealth in Canada," the letter states.

"Not only is it imperative to the sustainability of farmers and the industry, it is necessary for the continued economic growth and success of the Canadian economy," the letter continues. "With so much on the line, you are called on to form a delegation and meet with the Prime Minister of Japan and the President of the United States and engage in an immediate negotiation to open all borders to Canadian livestock and meat products."

"We need direct and definitive intervention at the highest level. You have the responsibility to lead the nation out of this crisis," the letter states. "Prime Minister, it is not an understatement to say this situation is a complete economic disaster for rural Canada and, indeed, all Canadians. Your direct and focussed intervention is needed immediately."

OCA President Ron Wooddisse explained that Ontario cattle producers are now losing about $4 million per week. Said Wooddisse, "Add losses to truckers, packers, auction barn operators, dealers and exporters to the mix and you're looking at losses of about $23 million per week, here alone. We can't survive much longer without increased help from the highest levels."

Wooddisse and OFA President Ron Bonnett are continuing their efforts to see a National Beef Crisis Operations Centre established with the support of the Federal Government. This centre would co-ordinate recovery efforts for the livestock industry across Canada.

Ontario Minister of Agriculture and Food, Helen Johns, will join Wooddisse and Bonnett next week in Pennsylvania and Michigan to review the situation facing Canada's livestock industry, and talk to counterparts about ways of resolving the closed border dilemma.

Cooper Wild Kids hopes to expand this season

The off-season has been very busy for the Cooper Wild Kids Girls Hockey Team. They hung up their skates in April, following the Provincial Championships, and put on their bathing suits, and have enjoyed a very wonderful summer season.

Although it is only August, thoughts of hockey are already on everyone's minds. With this being said, we are pleased to let everyone know that there is talk of expansion with this Girls Hockey Association. Last year we had two teams representing Centre Hastings with the Centre Hastings Starlets and the Cooper Wild Kids. This year we hope to represent three divisions.

Girls hockey is on the rise and can be a very positive experience for anyone involved. If you are interested in trying girls hockey please contact one of the numbers below. Contact Kathy Lee (613) 473-3147 for Novice Girls (age 7 & 8); Randy Horvat (613) 473-1217 for Pee Wee Girls (age 11 & 12) and contact Denise or Randy Gray (613) 473-0211 for Bantam Girls (age 13 & 14).

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but most of all, take care of your mother.

Always in my thoughts. Thomas

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Some day we will meet again.

Your loving wife, June

Moira Lake group elects Board

Protecting the interests of property owners near waters like these is the aim of the Moira Lake Property Owners Association. **photo / Nancy Derrer**

At the Annual General Meeting of the Association at the O'Neill Parish Hall in Madoc, on Sat. Aug. 9th, 2003, elections were held to elect a new Board of Directors.

The more than 100 members present elected the following to serve for a two year term. President-Curt Brinkman, Vice-President-Brian Morden-Mayes, Treasurer-Kim Fraser, Secretary-Jack Patch and Director-Doris Cartwright.

The first meeting of the new Board of Directors will take place on Aug. 14, 2003.

Ontario Provincial Police recovers stolen property

ATV's located, charges laid against 3 men

ATVs found in storage sheds

On the 4th of August 2003, members of the Central Hastings Detachment searched a storage shed at a residence on Madoc Township, and another in the Coe Hill area. A stolen four-wheeler was located at each location. Recovered was a 2002 Bombardier J-Quest model 500 4-wheeler, the value of which is $10000, and a 1990 Honda 4-Tracks 4-wheeler, which is valued at approximately $1200.

As a result of the investigation Shayne Ray (45) of Madoc Township was arrested and charged with possession of property obtained by crime, and Dan Bird (20) of Gilmour and Adam Hopkins (27) of Coe Hill were also charged with two counts of possession of property obtained by crime. All three men were released from custody, and are to appear in Belleville Court in September.

Male Arrested on Street

On the 8th of August 2003 at approximately 8:30 PM a Central Hastings officer observed a man walking on McGill Street in the Municipality of Marmora and Lake, carrying three 6-packs. The male was known to the officer to be on conditions not to consume or possess alcoholic beverages.

As a result of the investigation Lorne Gray (44) of Marmora was arrested and charged with failing to comply with an undertaking. He was held in custody, and will appear in Belleville Court today for a bail hearing.

Impaired Charges Laid

On the 9th of August 2003 at approximately 3 AM Central Hastings officers located a pickup truck parked at a public school on William Street, in the Municipality of Marmora and Lake. The driver of the vehicle was found to be impaired by alcohol.

As a result of the investigation Randy Hickey (21) of Marmora was charged with impaired care and control of a motor vehicle, and having care and control of a motor vehicle with more than 80 mg of alcohol in 100 ml of blood.

He was released from custody, and will appear in Belleville Court later this month.

Lingham Lake Man Arrested

On the 8th of August 2003 at 8:30 PM a 25-year-old male from the Lingham Lake area of the Municipality of Tweed attended a campsite on Lingham Lake, and took a 13-year-old male for a ride on an all terrain vehicle. Later in the evening the male offered to perform a sexual act on the 13-year-old boy.

The investigation revealed that the male was on conditions including not associating with persons under the age 16. Craig Vdovjak was arrested and charged with breach of probation and invitation to sexual touching. He was held in custody, and will appear in Belleville Court today for a bail hearing.

Bancroft Woman Faces Numerous Charges

This morning at 4:45 AM, Central Hastings officers were advised of a possible impaired driver at a gas station in the Village of Madoc. The vehicle in question was observed a short time later on Russell Street, in Madoc.

The vehicle was pulled over by officers, and as a result of the investigation Josephine Hammond (48) of the Bancroft area was arrested and charged with impaired driving, driving with more than 80 mg of alcohol in 100 ml of blood, and driving with no licence. She was released from custody, and is to appear in Belleville Court later this month.

Signs critical of hog farm stolen

Central Hastings OPP are asking the public's assistance on a number of thefts in Tweed of 'Anti-Hog Farm' signs. The suspects drive up to the signs in broad daylight and remove them from residential properties.

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History of "reed mats" an adventure in frustration

By Rolly Ethier

Crowe River property idents have been living h the nightmare of cattail d mats and their impact that waterway for the st 20 years.

So it's a little difficult for m to believe the crisis has ddenly been rectified once d for all.

"The situation this year, cause of low water, was ch-improved but there's ll a large chunk between e bridge and the dam," ys one of those residents, hn Lisle, who has been ttling bureaucracy and vernment ineptness over s issue for all too long.

"It looks a lot better now d we hope it stays that ay but things can change," ys the man who has been , close and personal with e reed mats since the out- t. For years government encies did nothing and id very little as they re- sed to listen to the pleas waterfront residents un- enough scathing media ports forced them to at least recognize the problem.

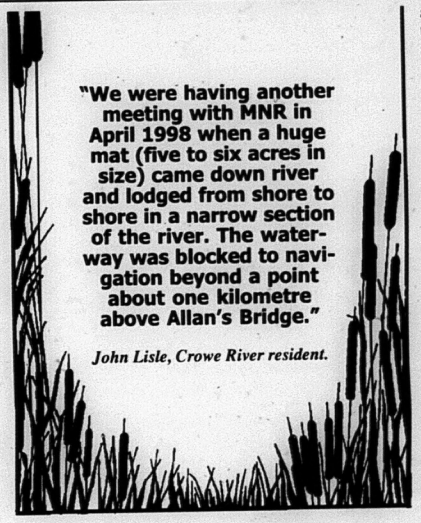
The term "reed mats" is recent and appropriate, says Lisle.

"Millions of tiny cat-tail roots woven into a mat that may be from 12 to 16 inches thick," he says. "Their buoyancy allows them to float on the water surface. In backwater areas, where there is little current, they may extend 200 to 300 feet out from shorelines. They have grown vigorously in the Rylstone Lake area of the Crowe River."

Lisle says small mats began coming down river with increasing frequency in 1983.

Chainsaw Cutting

"Many had clean-cut edges," he notes. "We would eventually learn they were being cut during winter freeze-up with a chain saw. The purpose—to clear shoreline frontages of private properties and cutting channels for boat entry. High spring run-off carried the sawn chunks down river."



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John Lisle, Crowe River resident.

Lisle recalls that the first large mats, approximately two acres in size, came down river and lodged on bridge piers in 1986. They finally broke up and continued downstream. A petition from local residents was sent to the MNR, requesting an investigation but their response—a promise of increased patrols upriver. No action was taken.

During the years 1987 and 1988 the reed mats continued to come down each spring. Letters were written, meetings were held with the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority and MNR without any action taken. The claim of authorities—it was a "natural phenomenon."

"We were having another meeting with MNR in April 1998 when a huge mat (five to six acres in size) came down river and lodged from shore to shore in a narrow section of the river," says Lisle. "The waterway was blocked to navigation beyond a point about one kilometre above Allan's Bridge."

With the barrier across the river still holding in 1999, smaller sections broke away and came down to lodge against the bridge piers and against the dam, as well as several waterfront properties. Again there was much discussion, a lot of frustration, an exchange of letters but as usual no action.

Contingency Plan

A contingency plan was put into effect for rapid response in case the dam became blocked and flooding occurred. The situation was becoming worse but no one seemed to know what to do.

In 2000, mats continued to pile up at the dam and against the bridge piers as they broke away from the huge upriver barrier, which was still in place. In July of that year, Lisle addressed the local Council, which professed to have limited funds while provincial authorities simply pretended the problem didn't exist.

There was something of a panic situation a month later as large mat sections lodged against open sections of the dam. Water rose quickly until increased pressure pushed some mats over the dam, restoring the water flow. The Municipality then decided to modestly fund removal of some of the mats at the dam, storing them on the old mill site.

Spring Runoff

The following year, in 2001, spring run-off breached the blockage upriver and large mats moved downstream in rapid succession between April 13th and 20th. High water carried many over the dam and down the Trent. More piled up on the dam and lodged against Allan's Bridge.

This year after a spring in which high water wasn't significant, three meetings were held. With an official from the MOE in Peterborough in attendance, Trent Hills finally negotiated a plan to remove the current pile of mats.

Trent Hills and Stirling/Rawdon are providing the labour force and equipment to carry the debris from the Crowe Valley Authority-owned mill property adjacent to the dam to landfills in Seymour and Brighton.

Original plans to transport the cattail mats to the local landfills were thwarted by the Ministry of the Environment, who felt the material might be toxic, therefore requiring transportation in sealed trucks if moved any distance on township roads.

The reasoning was somewhat implausible considering the Ontario Power Generation, who had to clear their trash racks many times of mat debris, had already sent samples for lab tests. No toxicity was indicated.

lemorial winner: Margo Masson's effervescent smile as shining down on golfers at Oakland Green Wednesday afternoon during the 26th annual Ladies vitational tourney. Margo, for the longest time the eart and soul behind the annual golf event, passed way this year and Wednesday's event was dedicated her memory and saw the presentation of a handsome hampionship trophies in her honour. Driving her way the overall low gross title was Lyn Dawson of inecrest with a 77. Presenting Lyn with the champion's ophy is Eileen Young (left) who donated the low gross nd low net trophies in Margo's memory. In a tight attle for the low net crown Sally Thompson of Oakland Greens walked away with the title. There were 92 ntries in this year's tournament which was played out nder very August-like weather. Sunny, of course, as nly Margo could have ordered. See Pg. 10-A for nother photo.

Photo/Bill Freeman

Terry Fox planning moves ahead, online pledging a big boost

Golf tourney leads up to annual run

By Bill Freeman

Havelock - Planning for a series of events leading up to the annual Terry Fox run in Havelock is moving ahead nicely, say Dee and Ernie Hamilton, the dynamic duo leading the drive to keep the Terry Fox dream alive.

In the past two years they have seen fundraising totals jump significantly for the annual run and the Hamiltons hope that trend continues in 2003. In 2001 they raised $3908 and in 2002 that figure escalated to an impressive $6291.

They wrapped up a lively "Jail and Bail with a Twist" fundraiser that on Aug. 9 that was part of Havelock's first ever Hobo Rendezvous where all sorts of local celebrities, near-celebrities and otherwise good-humoured people found themselves behind bars that day. Funds raised to keep them behind bars for a while will go to the Terry Fox campaign.

Planning for an Aug. 23 Terry Fox fundraising golf tourney at Salt Creek is also moving along. They are hoping to attract at least 80 golfers but have room for 120 and would welcome any prize table contributions.

They are also raffling off an amazing hand-crafted doll's chest and doll complete with 19 handmade outfits, booties and assorted underclothing. This one-of-kind item was donated to the Terry Fox cause by Ken and Barb Edwards of Oak Lake. The Hamiltons are touched by their generosity.

Tickets are on sale right now at $2 each or three for $5 and can be purchased at the Havelock Cheese House where the prize will be on display. Tickets will also be available at the Hobo Rendezvous and the golf tourney. The draw will be made the day of the Havelock Terry Fox run on Sept. 14.

The Hamiltons are still encouraging businesses and other organizations to set up

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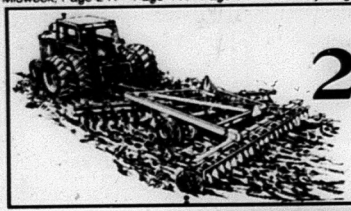

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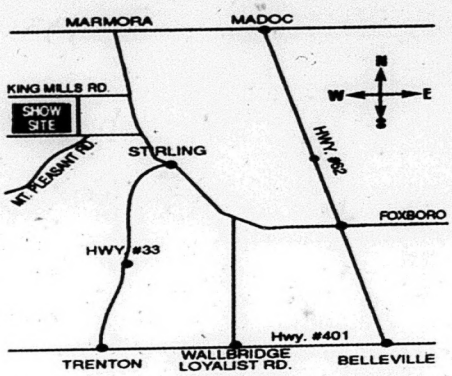

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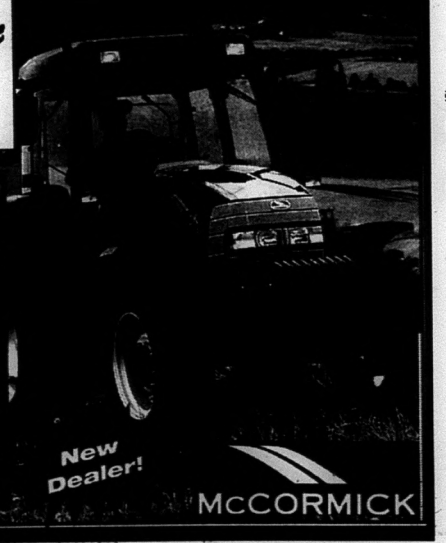

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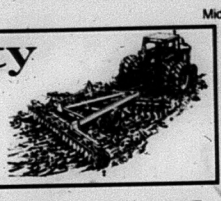

Meet the hosts of this year's plowing match

Lawrence McAllister

Rodney Cooney, whose family is hosting the 15th annual Hastings County Plowing Match and Farm Show, credits the success of the event with the people behind it. "They meet every second Tuesday of every month, year round," he said. "None of this would be possible without dedicated volunteers." These are people, he said, who "put a lot of coverage on their cars" and are not paid.

Familiar ground

The Cooney family is no stranger to either volunteering or the plowing match; they hosted the original one, although in a different location. This year about 60 acres of their land will be given over to the show, which should draw at least 30,000 people if the weather cooperates. To get a picture of the size, about 20 acres is more will be just for vehicle parking.

Mr. Cooney is taken with the camaraderie of time and how the community's grown during the past 15 years. "Kids who were 10 years old [when they first attended] are married now and come up to you and shake your hand," he said. There will be a family tent at the show this year, with activities for the kids.

Rodney Cooney and the Cooney Family are the hosts of the 15th Annual Hastings County Plowing Match and Farm Show. ***photo/Lawrence McAllister***

Perhaps only one-tenth of those attending the show, Cooney said, are directly involved in farming, and that's fine with him. This is a good time, he said, to show the public "This is what we do to make a living." Today, especially, he maintained, it is important to "demonstrate land stewardship to the non-farming public."

Positive showcase

Farmers make easy scapegoats for environmental and especially water quality concerns, and this is a perfect opportunity, Cooney said, to show the public that farmers care deeply about both, since their livelihood depends on it. Farmers make up less than 2% of the population, he said, and it's important they get their messages out to the public.

The event is a trade show for a lot of people. Various manufacturers will bring their new equipment to the show and put them through their paces. "Everything looks good on asphalt," Cooney said, but it's different to actually see something in action. Dealers are happy to show off their products and glad to answer questions.

Agricultural people, including farmers, get to spot new trends, see new products, and enjoy an outing with friends and neighbours.

Farmers also take advantage of the show to sell equipment. With such a huge number of visitors, the buyers seek out the sellers. With a lot of capital tied up in machinery, this is important to most farmers, and meeting more potential buyers means a fair price and a quicker transaction.

The Cooney family itself will have a booth at the show, mostly for exposure and to make useful contacts. The family runs a 1,100 acre farm with hundreds of dairy cattle, and while interviewed Cooney kept his eye on the clouds. "There's nothing better than working outside when the weather cooperates," he said.

The show this year will feature more than 250 exhibitors, dealer demonstrations of equipment, horticultural displays, crafts and antiques, and a woodlot exhibit to help educate woodlot owners on how to manage their land for the best return with the least impact. New for this year is a log and lumber auction, from local

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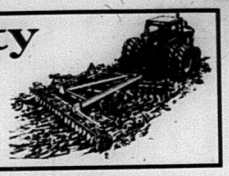

Plowing Match and Farm Show history

A tent city will be erected north of Stirling next week to house the various exhibits of the 15th annual Hastings County Farm Show and Plowing Match. This annual agricultural event draws thousands of people over the two-days it runs, this year Aug. 20-21st. Last year a rainy second day cut attendance figures yet the show and plow match still drew over 12,000 spectators.

First show in 1989

The first farm show and plowing match was held in 1989 hosted by Glen Marrow and Marvin Cooney in Glen Ross. The first show was a spin-off from the International Plowing Match which Hastings County hosted three years earlier. At the time those involved in helping organize the International Match had the foresight to realize a County match would draw both participants and spectators. The rest, as they say, is history. Over the intervening years the Farm Show and Plowing Match has grown reflecting the strength of the agricultural community. That in fact is the motto of the event, "produced for farmers, by farmers."

This year Marvin, Linda, Rodney and Lisa Cooney will be hosting the farm show on their 1100-acre dairy operation on the Kingsmill Road off of Highway 14, north of Stirling.

For those who have not yet attended a farm show be advised, wear a pair of good walking footwear.With 250 exhibitors the show site covers a large area. Given the nature of farming today with the large machines used it's a given a lot of space is needed to accommodate exhibitors. However, the Farm Show includes more than just farm machines.

Technology exhibits

The latest in technology available to those who live in rural areas is also part of the show. That can range from outdoor furnaces to the latest in robotic milking machines, which was one of the highlights of last year's show.

Add the various displays of antique farming equipment, woodlot management machines and demonstrations as well as those businesses and government agencies that serve the needs of rural Ontario gives some idea of the massive organizational skills required to make it all come together.

Exhibit site coordinator Jim Thompson explained that the event site is laid out in grids. The grids are intersected by "streets", actually wide walkways throughout the site. The layout of exhibits, tents and machinery give an air of actually walking through a large open-air community. Mr. Thompson said the street names reflect the various original townships that existed in Hastings County prior to amalgamation.

Mr. Thompson said while exhibitors bring the latest technology available to the Show, "we never know for sure exactly what that may be until they show up." The robot milker was new last year, he said, but noted advances in farm technology are such there may be something unique this year. The advances made over the years in farming can be compared by viewing the various antiques which will also be on display.

Rural life featured

While agricultural is the main theme of the event other aspects of rural life are also featured. Over the two days there is a family program. On the first day that will include Facing the Day-Bonnie Watson 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.; Landscaping - Farmgate - Kathy Milne 11:00 - 11:30 a.m.; Crafting - Brenda Allan 11:30 - 12:00 noon The Original - The Incredible Potato - Elizabeth Blakely.

During the afternoon from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. is The Children's Hour followed by Rivendell Herb Farm - Michael Rutledge;Grandmother's Legacy - Rosella Clancy;Quilting - Wall Hangings - Gerry Logan; Collectables - Lighting & Lamps - Tom Logan;Crafting - Linda Heasman; Floral Arrangements - The Cameo Shop and entertainment by The Youngs

On Thursday morning Canadian Hearing Society - Alana De Ville will be on site followed by One Minute Manicure - Andrea Gay; Hasting County Museum - Gayle Grills; Scrimshaw Emporium - Pools & Plants.In the afternoon there will be Wedding Fashions - Lisa & Grace; The Children's Hour 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.; Hospice Quinte - Kay

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Cooney

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sources.

The Cooney farm is off Highway 14, a few kilometers north of Stirling. They operate a recently-expanded store with fruits and vegetables and have 6 acres of apple orchards. Their store, with the family name readily visible, can be seen on the west side from the road. Signs are in place to guide visitors in on the 20th and 21st.

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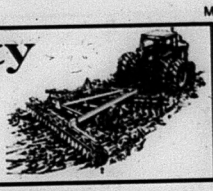

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Queen of the Furrow – pen to ladies who are 15 ears of age and have not eached their 24th birthday by anuary 1, 2004 and who are esidents of Hastings ounty. Special designated nd to be used. To start at :00 p.m. In addition to lowing contestants will be nterviewed by a committee of three.

Special classes – For county mayors and reeves and elected officials. To start at 2:00 p.m. Special designated land to be used.

Special media class – Open to all members of the media. Takes place the first day of the show at 11:00 a.m. Plows and tractors are provided.

Junior Class for Semi-mounted plows – For members under 18 years of age. Rules decided at match by directors and according to entries. Opening split required.

Class for Semi-mounted plows – For members over 18 years of age. Rules decided at match by directors and according to entries. Opening split required.

Class for tractors and trail type plows under 50 hp.

Class for Antique tractors with antique mounted plow.

Walking plows/Sulky plows – Plowers in these classes must start and finish to qualify for prizes.

Mounted Field Plow Class- - Open split required. Land must be properly finished.

Women's class – Plowers in this class must start and finish land to qualify for prizes.

Crystal Throop, 18, adjusts her plow before making another pass in the 4-H plowing competition held at the Hastings County Farm Show and Plowing Match last year. Crystal, who hails from Spencerville has been plowing for three years in competitions. Here she is using a two-furrow drag plow pulled by a 1939 Massey Harris 101 Junior Tractor. Her father Garry acted as her coach advising to watch for soft spots and to adjust her plow accordingly. This was Crystal's first year at the Hastings match. - BD Photo

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Quirt;Career Women - Margaret Walsh, Caroline Smith;Artist - Brenda Hudson;Apple Gifts - Lisa Cooney and Floral Arrangements - Doreen Reynolds

The Hastings County Farm Show and Plowing Match is a celebration of agriculture and rural life past, present and future. It's an event worth attending.

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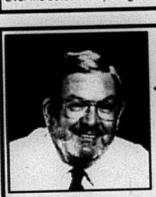

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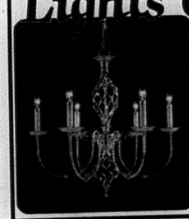

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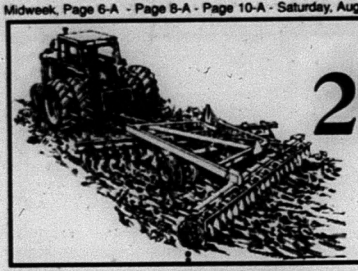

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Crowds pack opening day of Farm Show and Plowing Match

Wallbridge-Loyalist Road – The only thing missing were the clowns as this year's Hastings County Farm Show and Plowing Match had a carnival air about it. Perhaps it was the "Tent City" with its many spiral-topped tents or the vast array of exhibits and attractions both futuristic and historical. It may have been the weather with blue skies dotted with white fluffy clouds but the crowds wandering the grounds of the Hadwen-Kahn farm lent a festival air to what is described as Eastern Ontario's largest annual outdoor farm show.

The location of this year's show was also somewhat unique reflecting just how close urban and rural Canada co-exist. While not a major city Quinte West is a large population centre (43,000), yet a few kilometres north is prime agricultural land, dotted with picturesque farms. The Hadwen-Kahn Farm is a prime example. Located on the east side of the Wallbridge-Loyalist Road the farm itself, complete with silos, stables, milking barn and other outbuildings, is a picture of a successful family farm.

The site of the Farm Show and Plow Match was located on two large fields north of the Frankford Road. Covered with the stubble from last year's crops the land is perfect for farming. Anyone, who viewed the various plowing matches even if they knew little or nothing about farming, could recognize how rich the turned moist soil was.

The diversity of crops and farming techniques in the region was alluded to by Len Kahn who described the area as a "hidden gem." Mr. Kahn, along with his mother Molly, are partners with Kim and Jeanne Hadwen who are hosting this year's event. Mr. Kahn told those attending the opening ceremonies his job takes him around rural North America but he said he has seen "no better place" than Hastings County. He said it wasn't just the diversity of farming crops and techniques used but the "community spirit" that made the rural community a strong and vibrant one.

Clint Hadwen on behalf of his family extended a welcome as well.

Quinte West Mayor Bob Campney likewise referred to the many volunteers and committee members who put hundreds of hours of unpaid time and labour to ensure such events as the Farm Show and Plowing Match are a success.

"Volunteers make our city go round and round," Mr. Campney said. If he had his personal way he said he would erect monument to volunteers, but putting a political spin on his comments noted his council was fiscally responsible and as such he could only express the appreciate of the city and council for those who make the Farm Show and Plowing Match a success.

Hastings County Warden Glenn Belcour said the Plowing Match was a living example connecting, "our rural roots" with the present. Noting while the event showcased the advances in agricultural technology at the same time it ensured, "our past is well preserved."

The Ontario Minister of Agricultural Helen Johns spoke of her surprise at the diversity and size of the event. "I can't believe what a wonderful match this is. I wish all county events, (across the province), were like this," she said.

Following the speeches comedian Paul Mussell kept the crowd in stitches particularly with his jokes poking fun at city folks.

Prior to the official opening Queen of the Furrow Pam Storm introduced the young ladies taking part in the Princess of the Furrow competition. Ms. Storm said her reign, as Queen would be extended to next year, as there wasn't enough entrants to hold a competition this year for a new queen.

Those competing for the "Princess" title include Kimberly Leahy, 15, from Marmora, MacKenzie Denyes, 15, from Roslin and sisters Kimberly DeMille, 12, and Jennifer, 15 from Tyendinaga. As part of the competition the young ladies had to actually plow farrows. In addition each will be giving a speech at the awards banquet to be held Sept. 6th.

A hillside view of the site shows the extent of participants. Tents of various colours are interspersed with displays of agricultural equipment ranging from the latest in technology to rural arts and crafts. Machines the size of houses competed with displays of antique hand tools and farm equipment. One demonstration of the latest in feed mixing drew a large crowd who watched as round and square bales of hay were fed into a vertical mixer. There was even a display of a robotic milking machine.

Not all exhibits were directly related to agricultural. The Municipality of Tweed shared space with the Tweed Heritage Centre in one tent while the family program tent was filled with children enjoying the entertainment.

Throughout the two-day event various plowing competitions were held the more interesting ones being the horse plowing and antique tractors and plows.

There were also demonstrations of antique water pumps, thrashing machines and wood cutters.

Mixed in around the grounds were exhibits of rural arts and crafts, many of them available for sale.

If you missed this year's exhibition of rural life, its past, present and future be sure to attend next year's event.

Who's Who at the Plowing Match?

Past President	Bruce Demille
President	Harry Danford
1st Vice President and Secretary	Jennifer Ellis
2nd Vice President	Bart McFadden
Treasurer	Sandy Donnan

Pam Storm, (right), Queen of the Furrow of the Hastings County Farm Show and Plowing Match 2001 introduced the competitors in 2002's Princess of the Furrow, (from left), Kimberly DeMille and Jennifer DeMille of Tyendinaga, MacKenzie Denyes of Roslin and Kimberly Leahy of Marmora. Plowing furrows was also part of the comptetion for the young ladies. *- BD Photo*

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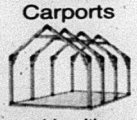

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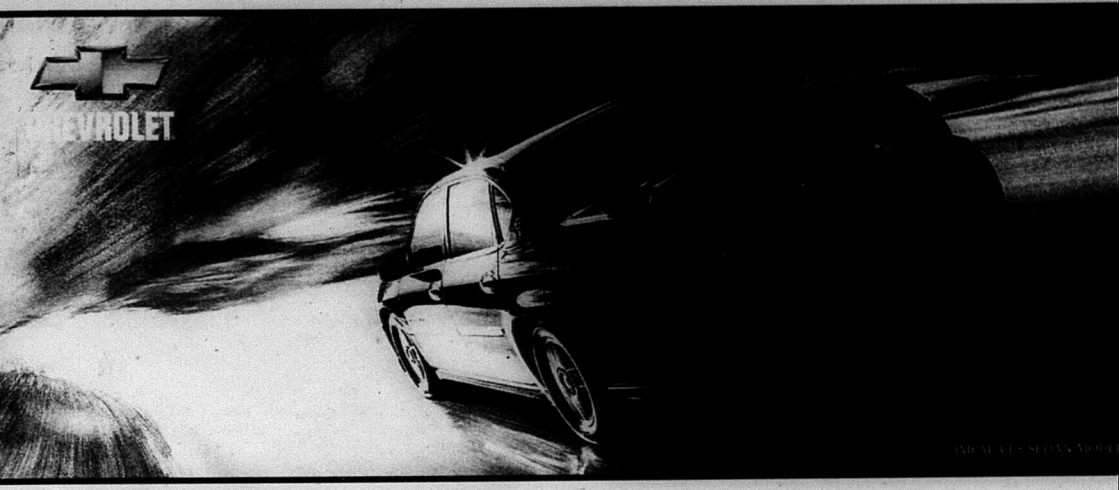

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By Lawrence McAllister

The story of agriculture is the history of civilization. The plow was created during the Bronze Age and appears in the Old Testament and on Egyptian monuments. At first it was just a wedge of wood, with metal sheathing its front, and it could break the soil but not turn it over.

It was the plow that made cities, and civilization, possible. Some mistakenly think that agriculture arose in demand to the food needs of cities; historians generally agree that cities arose from the success of agriculture. Like ancient Rome, modern cities would not survive without farms to feed their populations. Everyone needs to eat; and the most high-tech city cannot feed itself. Cities, therefore, exist only because of agriculture and its ability to make a surplus for those who farmed.

All agriculture, in turn, depends on the plow.

Plowing has several benefits. It physically breaks up the soil, aerates it, defeats many weeds, brings nutrients closer to the surface, and incorporates what is left of the previous crop into the soil.

Horse collars came about in the dark ages, allowing more of the horse's strength to be used, and in the 1700's plows were made which cut, lifted, and turned over the soil in one pass. In the 1800's John Deere, a journeyman blacksmith, left the sandy soils of his native Vermont for the heavier ones of the prairies. Upon arriving, he created a self-scouring plow that shed the clingy soil as it plowed.

Today, modern powerful tractors plow multiple furrows of earth at once. But not long ago, and for virtually all of recorded history, the food we ate depended on a man guiding a plow pulled by oxen or horse. This is not an easy task, and to farm enough acres to make any type of real return on investment in the pioneer days was an enormous amount of labour.

Plowing with draft animals can be gratifying. To see a good team smoothly pull a walking or riding plow, steadily and surely turning over a furrow of consistent depth and width, brings a certain satisfaction. But plowing in this way is in danger of becoming a lost art. Like shipwrights who could build a sailing vessel with hand tools, or craftsmen who could build windmills without metal parts, plowing is becoming something of the past, something that is a bit too close in time to see in a museum but too far for many to practice.

Plowing matches aim to keep plowing alive, either through friendly competition or simply with demonstrations done by those who enjoy it. The Hastings County Plowing Match and Farm Show, taking place next week on the Cooney farm in Stirling, will feature plowing by hand and by older tractors in competition, but last weekend at the Heritage Days Plowing Demonstration, a more informal, relaxed approach was taken.

Organizer Terry Phillips, who along with Don Miller brought together this weekend's event for the fifth year, stressed that it is just for fun.

"The older guys like to see it, tell us what we're doing wrong," he joked. But efficient plowing is very serious; a modern tractor can plow an acre in as little as 15 minutes or less; a pair of horses will take all day for the same amount of land. A spread of 30 acres would take a month. Given such times, it becomes critical to plow correctly.

Plowing matches typically judge competitors on a number of factors, including how straight the furrows are, their uniformity, closeness, depth and width, and how well grass and stubble from previous crops is buried. All this must be controlled while managing the animals, most of which listen to the merest whisper of instruction.

Phillips said that plowing by hand "is not as bad as it looks when you're used to it." A large part of the attraction for those who plow as a hobby is obviously the horses, large work animals with personalities all their own and the strength to turn over the hardest soil.

Dalton Vilneff of Deloro brought his two Percherons, Ted and Blaze, to the show, which was held on Everett Reid's land this year, just east of Stirling. Joe Whalen, from Marysville, brought 7 year old Star and 10 year old Bonnie, along with a wagon, and spoke of individual horses as Star spilled the water bucket in the trailer. Some, he said, could not be disturbed; others would run at the sound of a garden hose.

Other visitors came to the Demonstration from Picton, Cherry Valley, Shannonville, and Marmora.

These demonstrations bring the art of plowing to those who may never have seen it and can help everyone gain an appreciation of the work that, in one form or another, still goes into producing the food we eat.

Terry Phillips, seen here with Nip and Tuck, his horses, at the Heritage Plowing Demonstration held last weekend on Townsend Road, north of Belleville. ***photo/Lawrence McAllister***

Dalton Vilneff of Deloro, shown here with Percherons Ted and Blaze, showing the onlookers how to plow during the Heritage Plowing Demonstration. ***photo/Lawrence McAllister***

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If you're drinking and boating - you're sunk

By Lynn Noseworthy, MD
Medical Officer of Health
Hastings & Prince Edward Counties

Canadians have a special relationship with summer. After a long, hard winter, many of us adopt a completely different outlook on life. It's a time to let loose a little, have more fun and be less serious.

This applies even during a cool, wet one like the summer we have experienced so far. The words "cool, wet one" have another meaning to many beer-loving Canadians. Drinking in moderation has its place. The Hastings & Prince Edward Counties Health Unit has information available on low-risk drinking guidelines. You can learn more on the subject. Call your nearest Health Unit office or visit our Web site at www.hpechu.on.ca and check out the Alcohol and Substance Use section. You can also read the low-risk drinking guidelines at www.lrdg.net. While drinking may be a part of summer festivities, don't let the carefree mood fool you. Alcohol must always be handled with care. Here are top tips to keep in mind.

First, never drink and drive. Ontario experiences thousands of traffic collisions every year. Drinking

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2nd annual Marmora Country Jamboree, Sept. 12-14

Mickey and Gary Code and family will be first up at 2003 Marmora Country Jamboree.

by Nancy Derrer

Marmora – Building on the success of last year's one-day Country Jamboree, a three day event is scheduled for this year – rain or shine – again sponsored by the Marmora Crowe Valley Lions Club at the fairgrounds with the entertainers lined up by Boyd Warren.

Leading off the entertainment on Friday are Canadian recording artists Gary & Mickey Code and The Running Kind Band. Gary & Mickey Code have spent many years entertaining all across Canada and the United States and have lived in Nashville for a number of years. They have opened shows for Bill Anderson, Charlie Walker, Tammy Wynette, Faron Young and Jerry Reed. Gary and Mickey are very close friends of Kitty Wells and Johnny Wright. Gary has also performed at The Opry. They now reside in Brockville.

Jeff is Gary and Mickey's youngest son. He lives in the Kingston area and has performed in many local groups playing rhythm guitar. Jeff is best known for his Sunday in the Country show on CFMK 96.3, which he did for over seven years.

The Running Kind Band is comprised of Rocky Bigford from Smith Falls on drums; Charlie Stone, Prescott, lead guitar; and Wayne Vandebogart, Napanee on steel guitar.

Lots of entertainment

In all, 23 bands or solo performers will take part in this year's Jamboree. Bring your lawn chair!

As well, there will be a corn roast, vendors, roast beef supper, Saturday breakfast, and on both Saturday and Sunday food booths and a beer tent. Special parking and camping spaces have been reserved for the handicapped. Other entertainers will be featured in upcoming editions of the newspaper.

Tickets available

Advance weekend passes (before Sept. 6) are $25 each. At the gate, the weekend pass is $30, day pass Friday $10, Saturday $15 and Sunday $5. Children under 16 are free if accompanied by an adult. Free "rough" camping with weekend passes. Campsite reservations may be made with Randy Warren 613-395-0774.

Tickets are available at Cook's Barber Shop, Ice Cream & Bakery House, and from Buck Warren, 472-2001. In Madoc, at Willemsen's Esso; Stirling at

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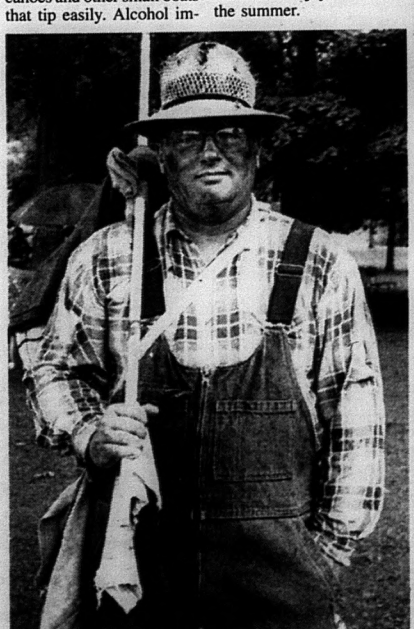
drivers are involved in one out of four collisions that result in fatalities. The deaths, injuries and personal tragedies caused by drinking and driving hurt us all.

Those convicted of drinking and driving offences also pay a high price in cold, hard cash. The province estimates the minimum cost, at $13,475. That figure includes legal fees, fines, increased insurance and other costs. Booze doesn't belong in the boat, or in the boat operator, any more than it does on the roads. Boaters are responsible for knowing the rules of boating safety. For more information, contact the Canadian Coast Guard Boating Information Service at 1-800-267-6687. These safety cautions apply equally to large craft and to canoes and other small boats that tip easily. Alcohol impairs balance. Drinkers may find themselves rocking the boat.

Most boating and fishing fatalities are linked to alcohol. Don't drink and fish. The same danger applies to mixing alcohol with waterskiing and windsurfing. Alcohol slows down the reflexes and coordination needed to safely catch a wave. Swimmers need to know that alcohol affects swallowing and breathing reflexes. The swimmer who has been drinking is more likely to drown.

To paraphrase the old poem, "water, water everywhere and not a drop to drink" could be the safest way to go! Don't forget those personal flotation devices, when boating too.

Keep your head above water and enjoy the rest of the summer.



Reeve Ron Gerow was right in the swing of things when he visited the 1st annual Hobo Rendevous last Saturday. Please see story in MidWeek page 12a. Photo/Nancy Derrer

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It's that time of year again...

Who will be this year's Fair Ambassador

By Bill Freeman

Asphodel-Norwood - "We try to make it a big family thing every year," says Amanda Graham of the famous Norwood Fair.

Amanda is one of this year's Fair Ambassador hopefuls who will vie for the coveted title Aug. 23 during a gala night at the Norwood Curling Club. She and her fellow contestants will join reigning Fair Ambassador Sarah Fowler at an event that has always represented the official kick-off of Norwood Fair activities.

This year's event is being held in August for the first time to make allowances for students affected by the demise of the OAC year at high school.

Amanda, a 17-year-old grade 12 student at Norwood District High School, will be presenting PEH Services of Havelock in this year's competition.

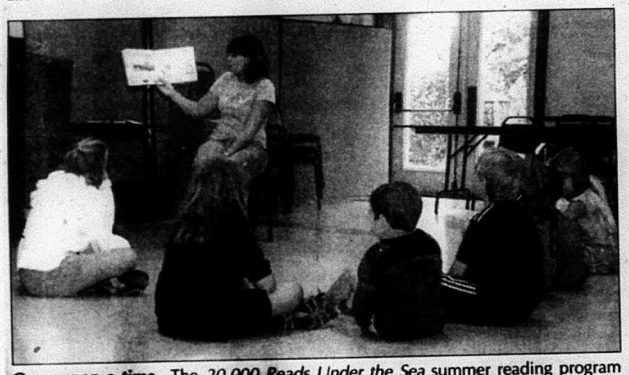
"I'm going to be a little nervous but it is a friendly competition," Amanda says.

Amanda is a member of the NDHS Ambassador's Club and hopes to win a seat on the Student Leadership Council. She likes jogging and aerobic activities and after graduation she would like to enroll in a nursing program at either Loyalist or Fleming College.

When she visits the Fair Amanda makes sure she checks out the work in the School Fair Division because that brings back fond memories of her own days as an elementary school entrant.

Amanda is the daughter of Julie Graham and Peter Campbell of Norwood.

Ambassadorial hopeful: Amanda Graham will represent PEH Services in this year's Norwood Fair Ambassadors competition. Wishing her well is Ernie Hamilton. **Photo/Bill Freeman**



Once upon a time... The *20,000 Reads Under the Sea* summer reading program continues to attract avid readers to their Tuesday morning sessions and that was no exception this past week with leader Kate Lowe offering up some more underwater tales and crafts. **Photo/Bill Freeman**

Teeing off for Terry Fox

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their own "corporate challenge" as a fun way of raising funds for the Terry Fox Foundation.

They will continue to work with Norwood District High School in an effort to help the school organize a community run something they expect will happen next year

There are all sorts of possibilities the school could come up with, Dee says.

Ball caps, tee shirts, fridge magnets and "Ribbons of Life" are also on sale now at the Trent River general Store and the Havelock Bulk Store. The fridge magnets highlight this year's Terry Fox theme: the "Unbreakable Spirit."

"The Terry Fox Foundation are so helpful," Ernie says of his long association with the organization.

Dee joined Ernie at the Millennium tribute conference in Toronto in 2001 and says the amount of information and advice they were able to glean from provincial directors and other guests was truly astonishing.

For people collecting (and making) pledges this year they can once again do so online at www.terryfoxrun.org.

Online pledging is going to become a real benefit to the Foundation, Dee says. Every tax receipt they issue online saves the Foundation 80 cents and that means more money going to cancer research.

Last year 515 Terry Fox Run teams registered online representing more than 1200 participants.

There were nearly 4,000 online pledges totalling more than $155,000.

Low net winner: Sally Thompson (left) of Oakland Greens Golf Club took the overall low net title during her own club's 26th annual Ladies Invitational Tournament which this year honoured the memory of longtime tourney and ladies league guiding spirit Margo Masson who passed away earlier this year. The tourney's two champions were presented with their awards by Eileen Youung who donated special trophies that honoured Margo who, as all 92 golfers knew, was with them all the way during Wednesday's 18 hole competition. **Photo/Bill Freeman**

Summerfest results please waterfront committee

Next big event is "tribute" show

By Bill Freeman

Hastings - Organizers of the first-ever Summerfest were "really pleased" with the outcome of the waterfront fundraising event despite a struggle against inclement weather.

"I think we did exceptionally well (considering) the weather," Waterfront Committee Fundraising Chair Joan Crawford said. "I think it turned out very well."

The Committee was able to raise $3,071 for the waterfront development project with another $2602 raised by the Hastings Lions Club.

The three-day event included a country video dance, a 13-bout amateur boxing card, a midway, a Sunday brunch, pontoon boat tours. Some of the Friday morning children's related activities events were caught in the torrential downpour but that did not dampen Mrs. Crawford's enthusiasm for the event.

"We would like to see the midway return; perhaps on a different weekend."

Mrs. Crawford wanted to thank all of the people who help organize the event and those who attended events throughout the weekend.

"We were really pleased to see we had so many people out on such a damp day," she said of Friday's opening.

The Fundraising Committee and Legion Branch 106 have teamed up for an Aug. 29 "Legends Show" at Hastings Memorial Arena. The age of majority show will include four "really good tribute artists" and at least five to six local performers who have made their mark during the Legion's regular karoake nights. Stars like Shania Twain, Elvis Presley and Garth Brooks will be brought to life on stage.

"We've got a really good group with the Legion and we know we will have a good event," says Mrs. Crawford. "It's a kind of nice way to end the summer."

Mrs. Crawford says she could foresee this becoming a regular date on the Hastings Labour Day Weekend calendar.

Committee member Bob Crate agreed.

"If you do it right it is something you could do every year and people will look forward to it."

Marina deck is on the way

By Bill Freeman

Hastings - The Hastings Village Marina's office and tourism centre will soon be getting a three-sided, pre-framed cedar deck.

The deck will cost between $12,000 and $13,000 and is expected to be started sometime next week.

Hastings Waterfront Development Committee Chair Don Hopkins says that three tenders were received for the project with the two lowest bids separated by just $200. The bids were discussed at length and the final decision unanimously supported by the Trent Hills Public Works Committee.

In other marina construction news, Mr. Hopkins says there will be a meeting this week with the electrical engineers who have been working on an electrical and service site plan for the marina.

Mr. Hopkins says that everything that was in the original architectural plan, including park benches and waste receptacles, has already been translated to the ground through survey so they will not conflict with the underground services, cables etc. that are in the engineering plan.

"They have been doing a lot of site work," Planning Director Jim Peters noted.

Mr. Peters says he expects that after the meeting they will have a timetable for the electrical servicing work that is being proposed.

Mr. Peters says they have also received permission from the Trent Severn Waterway to excavate debris from the boat launch ramp bottom.

"Hopefully it will be just a matter of one day in and out," he said.

Trent Hills Mayor George McCleary said it was important that they fix the problem at the boat launch as soon as possible to forestall criticisms by boaters using the ramp area.

"We want so many positives out there," he said, sharing concerns about the debris that has posed some problems for launch users.

In other developments:

- the office building has been moved to its final location
- all the tourism racks have been set up and stocked
- the walkway has been installed on the east side of the ramp
- the phone line has been installed and hooked up in the tourism office and maintains former Hastings Chamber of Commerce 696-3226 number
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Mother Nature throws a curve ball at Hobo Rendezvous but it hits a home run anyway

by Nancy Derrer

Havelock – At 9am on the day of Havelock's 1st Hobo Rendezvous two events took place: the pancake breakfast at the Odd Fellow's hall had people lined up at the door, waiting to get in; and it was starting to rain. By shortly after 10am, it was a downpour. Those people staffing booths under cover of a canopy were maintaining a stoic presence, while attendees were slowing to a trickle (no pun intended). It looked bleak for organizers Bev and Russ Constable and their committee members who have been planning the one-day event since January. However, the motto 'the show must go on' prevailed.

One group, the Kitchen Kuties and Kut Ups, had to cover their electronic equipment with plastic until a large canopy was erected to cover the equipment and the performers. Under cover, they performed to an appreciative audience.

'Then, at 11:30, it stopped raining and by early afternoon it was warming up and the sun eventually shone. Having survived the first test of their mettle, committee members and organizers of the day's events were breathing a sigh of relief and getting on with the activities.

Many groups and organizations with booths were located on the north side of the Community Centre parking lot; the Country Roots group was located beneath the tall trees adjacent. The Legion hamburger, hot dog and sausage food booth and the Women's Institute food booth selling Hobo Stew and corn on the cob were soon doing a booming business and the crowd started to swell. Russ Constable said later that his estimate of the day's attendance was around 700 people, mostly Village residents, and all the comments he received were positive.

Bert Greenhalgh of the Legion was the resident Hobo of the day; with cameo appearances by Reeve Ron Gerow and myself.

Positive comments

"They thought it was an original idea for an event in the Village and said that they hoped we would do it again next year," a tired Russ said at that evening's Battle of the Bands. One highlight was the Hobo baseball game in which the men took on the women – I think. H-B-M Councillor (Gorgeous George) Bloor and (Candy Apple) Andy Sharpe, Big Bessie (James Reed), Sweet Geraldine (Gerry Martin), Jugsy Woodette (Marcus King), Cutie Cooper (David Cooper) and Smelly Ellie (Rob Elmhurst) were the Belles (men) who took to the field. Some of the Beaus (women hobos) were Swag Man (Angela) and Killer Kim (Kim)

Another popular event was the Dunk A Cop dunk tank run by the Community Policing Committee. Constable Chris Foster was on the hot seat (actually, it was a very cold seat with the temperature of the water chilly because of the lack of sunshine). Young Ren Sayles of Havelock made short work of the challenge to Dunk A Cop: he bought 10 balls and dumped Constable Foster on his first and seventh ball! It was only at this point that Constable Foster realized that he had not taken his wallet out of his pocket! Oops. Marlene Henderson of Oshawa then took up the challenge, dumping Foster on Ball 3 and Ball 7, as well.

OPP Constable Chris Foster was dunked on the first ball - "I'm going to remember this!", he says. More photos next week, folks! ***photo/Nancy Derrer***

(Very) Senior Constable Brad Filman took up the challenge seat next and found that the water was, indeed, cold. Then the cry was heard to have Community Policing Committee Chair Robin Topping fill in for the police officers and shortly she confirmed the temperature of the water. I'm sure the committee raised a lot of money while giving the eager crowd a good time.

There were few buskers braving the elements but one five-year-old, Jackson Begley of Oshawa, was seen doing an Elvis impersonation just like the one his father, Jim, did when he won the Elvis competition in Ottawa this year. A second one spotted in the area of vendors and classic cars in the school parking lot was Vince; his sign said he was Guitar Man and he surely was that. It is of interest that Vince arrived in Havelock by bicycle, pumping along Highway 7 from the Norwood area in the rain.

Bean eating

The Bean Eating contest drew both enthusiastic participants and audience. Canned baked beans, with the choice of tomato sauce or meat sauce, were scooped into plastic cups, weighed by the organizers, and then eaten with a Popsicle stick. Junior winner was Nhi Bui and senior (over 12 years of age) was Ann Stewart. Pip McCann won the bean counting contest, coming within two jelly beans of the actual number 433. Marlene Henderson and David Povey were the Ringaway winning team.

Havelock Lions Club members and some of their wives and nine members of the Belmont Women's Institute combined forces to provide a beef bar-b-que dinner, complete with baked potato, corn, carrots, green beans and coleslaw with a selection of pies for dessert. The first sitting was at 5pm with 132 served. The second sitting at 6:30pm saw another 52 diners enjoying the feast. As well, bands arriving for the Battle of the Bands were provided with dinners. Alice Ferrier and Margaret Langlier of the Rendezvous committee ran a silent auction during the dinner.

Immediately following dinner, the Ontario Country Performer and Fan Association (OCPFA) held a Battle of the Bands in the arena. The top seven amateur bands in Ontario, many of whom had won contests in their own areas in order to qualify to take part in the Havelock event with other bands chosen by organizations to take part, took to the stage about 7pm. Emcee for the event was the OCPGA's Jerry Carroll. Lions Club members were responsible for hosting the event.

First performer to take to the stage was 12-year-old Taylor Abrahamse of Norwood, backed up by a five-piece band. Other bands were: Gordie Hull + Bent Country, Cindy Ward, Ryan Schneider, Moonshine, Trevor Doucette, Nathan Christopher and Marc Ekins. The winner was Ryan Schneider and the grand prize is a cameo performance in the 2003 Havelock Country Jamboree and a fully paid performance in the 2004 Jamboree! Second place winner was Moonshine, third place went to Trevor Doucette. The last band left the stage about 1am; about 200 people (plus about 70 band members, spouses and children) attended, sitting in the bleachers, in their own lawn chairs, or at eight-seat tables and chairs on the arena floor.

In conclusion

Claude and Trudy Pollock, who offered tours through the Caboose, had their biggest day ever with about 250 touring the restored Caboose; another 100 attended the historical display that took place in the Town Hall that included two model railroads set up by the Lindsay and District Model Railroaders and the display of WW I and WW II memorabilia by William and Shurie Seabrook, ensured that anyone interested in the importance of railroading to the Village of Havelock when it was a divisional point for the CPR could become well informed of the importance of the trains to the early life of the village.

It was the railroad history of the village that led to the decision to call this one-day 'country fair' a Hobo Rendezvous.

An enthused Bev Constable said on Monday: "We think between 1,200 and 1,500 people attended during the day and for a first-time event, we think this was a wonderful turnout, particularly taking the morning's rain into account.

Congratulations to everyone involved with the 1st Hobo Rendezvous; did you know that the 1st Jamboree was almost rained out?

***Trenval Supports Ramble**--Trenval Business Development Corporation Agriculture Committee Chair, Rosemary Davis (left) and Cathy McCann, Rural Ramble coordinator, prepare for Rural Ramble 2003 scheduled to take place Aug. 23-24.Trenval donated $2,000 to support this year's farm tour in Northumberland County. It consists of a self-guided, family driving tour of farms and rural businesses. So everyone is invited to pack up the whole family, bring a camera and make it a weekend getaway.*

Council will look at LACAC request for tax relief

By Rolly Ethier

Trent Hills--Municipal Council has some reservations but have agreed to at least look at a LACAC proposal asking for a Tax Relief Program for heritage buildings.

Introduced at a Planning Committee meeting, the report introduced by Planning Director Jim Peters, on behalf of LACAC, noted that legislation has passed in recent years by the provincial government to provide property tax help to owners of designated heritage properties. LACAC would like to see Council implement a tax incentive program that would help owners restore and maintain their heritage properties.

Under the provisions of the new Municipal Act, which came into effect on Jan. 1, 2000, the amount of tax relief that may be provided to a property owner must range from a minimum of 10 per cent to a maximum of 40 per cent of the municipal share of the property taxes levied on a heritage property.

Should a municipality undertake to establish such a program, the province would refund the taxes levied for educational purposes at the same percentage established by the municipality.

To be eligible for a tax refund, a property would have to be designated under the Ontario Heritage Act and be subject to an agreement respecting the long-term preservation and maintenance of the property. Also the property must be in compliance with the relevant agreement.

The legislation has prompted the Trent Hills LACAC committee to discuss how such a program could be developed and implemented locally. Peters said there are approximately 25 designated properties in the municipality that could benefit from such a program.

The city of Kitchener has implemented a Heritage Refund program, supporting a 40 per cent reduction in the form of a tax refund for eligible properties, which apply.

Trent Hills LACAC has discussed two options for using the tax relief program. The first is to use it to offset the cost of specific projects an owner might undertake such as the replacement of an original component. The second option is to consider an across the board reduction for those properties where applications are made. This recognizes the ongoing costs for maintenance of designated elements in a building.

Car purchasers more knowledgeable

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son to get a more specific appraisal applicable to your particular vehicle. Be careful to look at the combined net after tax price that you will be charged, and not just the value for your trade. "

"Above all else, paying cash is usually the best option," says Chartered Accountant Jerry Cukier, a Partner with Soberman LLP in Toronto. "But your decision really depends on your lifestyle and your level of tolerance of debt.

"Generally speaking, leasing is ideal for someone who wants to enjoy a brand new car every two or three years but also wants an affordable car payment," says Cukier. "Essentially, you are just paying for the portion of the car you are using over the term of the lease.

"If you're leasing or purchasing the vehicle for business purposes," Cukier adds, "you can write off the costs based on the percentage cost based on business use of the vehicle."

"However, be careful when negotiating a lease because it is a legal contract. Determine what you want to pay before you enter the dealership. There are open-end and closed-end leases, extended warranties and the various other options which cost money. Make sure the salesperson explains the details to your satisfaction, read the fine print carefully and ask if there is a grace period to change your mind."

Those drivers who view their vehicle as a long-term investment, want the equity of a trade-in, and are committed to long-term maintenance, probably should purchase their car or at least put down a larger than required down payment.

"You have a number of options. You can shop around for a bank loan that offers a good rate of interest. This is the most popular route. You can charge a portion to your credit card and benefit from incentives such as frequent flyer miles, then pay off the balance before you incur any interest cost on your credit card," says Seguin. "You might want to look into a home equity line of credit which offers repayment flexibility and perhaps a very attractive interest rate far below that offered by bank loans or credit cards. You can dictate when you're going to pay off your car. This only works if you are disciplined. Remember you do have to pay back the money," notes Seguin.

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(O.P.S.) New mother Andrea M. realized that with her constant headaches, she was going to have to do something to manage the pain. "The discomfort and the frequent headaches were becoming unbearable and I knew I had to make a trip to my doctor. Because I was breastfeeding, I remember being really worried about how my taking a painkiller would affect my baby, so I decided to ask my doctor if these medications could be harmful to my son," she says.

"Questions like these are very common for new and expectant moms. To make it easier for them and their doctors we decided to create a booklet that answered some of these questions," says Wende Wood, a designated specialist in psychiatric pharmacy and the Drug Information and Drug Use Evaluation Pharmacist at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH).

Developed by the staff at CAMH, the 33-page booklet - entitled Is it Safe for My Baby? Risks and Recommendations for Use of Medication, Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs During Pregnancy and Breastfeeding identifies the relative risk and safety of over 200 substances including caffeine, alcohol, tobacco, psychiatric medications, sedatives, illegal drugs, over-the-counter medications and herbal remedies. It also provides recommendations and alternatives to discuss with health care providers.

"New and expectant moms like Andrea no longer need to be confused about issues like how much coffee is safe to drink when pregnant, if the nicotine patch is a good option when breastfeeding or if the medication they are taking may be unsafe for their babies," explains Wood. "The most important concern for a developing baby is to have a healthy mother. Our booklet provides pregnant and breastfeeding women with additional information about the safety of medications and other substances so they can make informed choices."

Is it Safe for My Baby? Risks and Recommendations for the Use of Medication, Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs During Pregnancy and Breastfeeding also provides information about the risks involved when some disorders such as asthma, depression and epilepsy are not adequately treated while pregnant. This booklet is an important resource for new and expectant mothers, but is also valuable for those who care and are concerned about them and health care professionals interested in providing this type of information to their patients/clients.

Is it Safe for My Baby? is available in English and French. Copies are available from the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health at 1-800-661-1111 (or 416-595-6059 in Toronto), by e-mail at marketing@camh.net, or by fax at 416-593-4694.

OBITUARY

Jean Mary Baker, formerly of Madoc and Queensborough, died at Lenadco Home for the Aged on August 4, 2003. She was the daughter of John and Julia Genereaux, wife of Francis Nelson Baker. She is survived by her son John (Doris), daughters Donna McCall (John) and Brenda, and by seven grandchildren Leanne, Sean (Carey), Sheri, Sara, Kelly, Meghan and Ian. Funeral arrangements were by McConnell Funeral Home in Madoc. The funeral Mass took place at Sacred Heart of Mary Church, followed by burial at Sacred Heart of Mary Cemetery. Her family and friends are grateful for the professional care she received from Dr. Little in Napanee, the services of F. L. & A. Community Care Access Center, the support of Dr. Froud and Kingston Regional Cancer Center and all the wonderful staff and volunteers at Lenadco. Jean's generous love of life, family and friends remains an inspiration, as expressed in 1 Corinthians, 13: "There is no limit to love's forebearance, to its trust, its hope, its power to endure... There are in the end three things that last: faith, hope and love, and the greatest of these is love."

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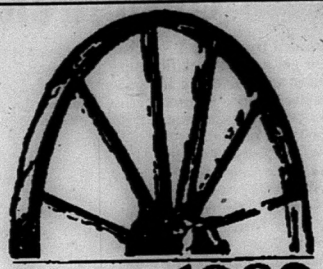

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Troy Wickens of Madoc (in white t-shirt) with Jack and Sam at the Stirling Fair, successfully pulling 2800 pounds. **photo / Lawrence McAllister**

County celebrates 15t plowing match and farm s

Cooney Farms – The pioneer heritage of rural Ontario was on display alongside the latest in technology at the 15th annual Plowing Match and Farm Show held this past week just north of Stirling. While it was the fur trade that initially sparked interest in Canada it was agriculture that developed it and as far as farmers are concerned, agriculture sustains Canada today. The importance of agriculture was stressed by various speakers during the opening ceremonies held on Wednesday.

Hasting County Warden Mary Walsh noted the rural roots of the agricultural community was begun by the pioneers and their spirit lives on and is reflected by events such as the Plowing Match and Farm Show. In extending congratulations to the event's organizers Ms. Walsh said, "people (today) have the same community spirit as the pioneers."

Ms. Walsh, remarking on the number of young people participating and attending the show, said "it is very heartwarming young people are interested in their community," adding, "we are privileged to call this part of Ontario home."

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New school to open in September has no split classe

The excitement is building at Albert College in anticipation of the September opening of its new, 25,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art Junior School building. Located on the main campus, next to the Senior School, the new facility provides 7 spacious classrooms for Junior/Senior Kindergarten through Grade 6 with maximum class sizes of 18 students in the advanced grades and 16 in the lower.

Belleville-born architect, Ray Zaback, whose list of accomplishments includes design work at Queen's University and Royal Military College, Kingston, was initially attracted to the project because of its unique challenge. According to Zaback, "as the oldest and first co-ed independent school, the College presents a challenge to its Architect to respect these traditions while designing a functional, modern academic facility." One look at the spacious interiors, natural lighting, rich wood finishes and hues, and the use of stone — reminiscent of the splendid 1923-buildings — suggests that Zaback has risen to the challenge.

Yet, it is the impact on programming that pleases Junior School Director, Ric Anderson, who has watched the Junior School outgrow its previous site. "The new facility will accommodate our new Junior and Senior Kindergarten programmes," reports Anderson, "additionally, a new library/resource centre, a full size gymnasium, modern stage, and a push toward integrated technology will allow Albert's junior students - traveling from as far away as Kingston and Picton — to further hone their academic, artistic and athletic talents. We are excited!"

Patrick Peotto, Head of School, says that the new facility is just one exciting aspect of the school's overall strategic planning, which also includes the design and construction of a new Arts facility, further technological enhancements and a major restoration and renovation project at the main school. Proud of the project, the Headmaster is quick to reiterate that it is the people inside the building that really make Albert College unique. "This is a place where the atmosphere is warm and welcoming and the approach to learning progressive," says Peotto, "teachers know every student by name and that's the difference - students want to talk to their teachers and feel they have a personal bond with them. We have a wonderful sense of family."

The new school will boast 25,000-square-feet on the main campus; 7 new classrooms for Junior Kindergarten-to Grade 6; a fenced Kindergarten play area with rubberized asphalt surface; a gymnasium, Library and Resource Centre; an athletic Playing Field; Lunch Room & Kitchen; and Welcoming and Reception area

The design features adequate parking and modern staff workrooms and offices. JK to grade 3 will have a maximum of 16 students per class, while grades 4 to 6 will have a maximum of 18. There will be specialist teachers for art, music, and French.

Advantages

The new facility allows for the growth of programmes. It has eliminated split classes, allowing a separate class for each grade. It will accommodate anticipated growth to 118 students in the next 5 years. It offers students their own library, gym, athletic field and stage with lighting.

Junior school graduates continue to make up a large percentage of the Senior School day population.

With a place on the main campus, Junior School students will enhance the family-school environment of Albert College. Junior students will gain ready access to the Chapel and future Arts centre on the main campus. The addition of Junior and Senior Kindergartens under the leadership of distinguished local educator, Tatyana Haddock, will allow the consistency of attending one school from the first day of school through graduation.

Finally, the new facility will ensure that Albert College continues to attract and retain exceptional teachers.

Zaback has been a partner in Shoalts and Zaback Architects since 1990. Zaback has successfully directed a number of complex renovations and addition projects, based on exhaustive surveys and research. Zaback has 19 years of professional experience.

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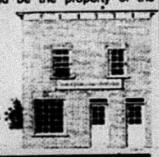

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Hastings County plowing match

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to urban and other rural backgrounds not directly related to farming.

Harry Danford, president of the Plowing Match and Farm Show also alluded to the diversity of the event noting "there's something for everyone." Mr. Danford said "this is a special year for us," not just because it is the 15th anniversary but the hosts (Cooney family), for this year's show also hosted the very first Plowing Match and Farm Show.

Rodney Cooney, speaking on behalf of his family, Lisa, Marvin and Lynda and daughters Jeanette, Candice and Deanna, said the success of the Plowing Match and Farm Show over the years has been due to the organizers. Mr. Cooney said the family is "proud to live in this community," and by hosting the show they hope to give something back to that community.

Pam Storms, Hastings County Queen of the Furrow acted as master of ceremonies for the opening. Ms. Storms who initiated the Princess of the Furrow competition to involve younger girls in the event, introduced the two contestants for this year's title - Mackenzie Denyes, age 16, of Roslin and Amanda Jeffs, age 18, of Stirling. The Princess of the Furrow is not a beauty contest as participants must have a working knowledge of farming. To that end one of the requirements to become princess is to actually plow.

Jim Thompson, the first Plowing Match president, officially opened the show. To mark the 15th anniversary founding members of the Plow Match and Farm Show were each presented with a framed certificate. They include Alan Lott, Richard Dracup, Andy Jongenotter, Jack Dunham, Ted Pollock, Edna Barnum, Ross Caryle, Dorothy Craighead, Dave Little and Jim Thompson.

The founding members of the Hastings County Plowing Match and Farm Show are presented with certificates to honour their continuing contributions to the event.
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Below: Dave Brandt of Ingleside, originally from Stirling, pulls hay from a baler made in the mid 1800's, in a demonstration at the Stirling Fair put on by the Hastings Agricultural Society. The baler is run off a belt on a Massey tractor, seen in the left background.

Above: A 1947 Massey tractor owned by Jack Harry of Napanee being driven by his brother-in-law Bob Hart in the plowing competition.
photographs / Lawrence McAllister

Get involved!

Ruth Hatton of Gateway Health Centre has taken up the challenge of keeping the Unbreakable Spirit of Terry Fox alive this year. Ms. Hatton is co-ordinating the 11th annual Terry Fox Run for Tweed. At the organizing meeting on August 14, volunteers were delegated the many tasks that make an event of this size work smoothly. The committee hopes to surpass last year's pledge total of nearly $5,000.

This year, the run will start in Tweed Memorial Park at 9:00 a.m. and make a 10-kilometre total distance. Pledge forms are available now at the Tweed Municipal office, Gateway Health Centre, Tweed IGA, Great Stoco & Moira Food Co., the Tweed News and the Tweed Convenience Store.

Attractive T-shirts are available to purchase at the Gateway Health Centre ranging in price from $10 to $15, with proceeds going to the Terry Fox Foundation.

In addition to Ms. Hatton members of the organizing committee include: Ruby and Doug Mumford; Sally Thomlison; Bill Thomlison; Maril Swan; Jane Baker; Jeremy McQuigge and Kathy Norris

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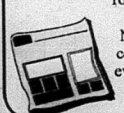

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ss Mitchell and Glen Foster made presentations to Council, August 18.
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Council approves two memorials, n principle, for Marmora Park

Nancy Derrer

Marmora – In response requests from the MARS oup and the Marmora owe Valley Lions Club, ouncil gave approval for e installation of a memo- l picnic bench on the north d of Memorial Park near e dam in memory of Julia ady and support in princi- e to a memorial stone to the ght of the main entrance to e information centre in rec- gnition of Brian oodchild's contribution to e development of the park.

"The family of Julia Brady s received donations that ll be used to purchase a cnic bench that MARS ants to place right on the rtherly corner of the rk," said Russ Mitchell. Ve will level the area, put a cement pad and install e picnic table. The table ll be the same as those for ndicapped in the shelter ea except that it will have plastic top, which is more rable," Mitchell explained. here will be a memorial aque on the table.

In his presentation to Council, Glen Foster described the grey memorial stone that the Lions Club wishes to position to the right of the main entrance to the information centre, in a flower bed. It will be 57 inches long, 28 inches high and 18 inches deep. Two shrubs will be re-located to the Peacock flower bed.

Deputy Reeve Terry Clemens, who chaired the August 18 meeting, responded: "We would be hard pressed to argue about Brian's contribution to the park. However, other ideas for memorials have been suggested, some more significant, some less. I think Council should take its time considering all ideas."

After discussion, it was agreed that Council members would tour the location, with Lions Club members, at 6pm, prior to the September 2 meeting. All requests and locations will be considered at that time.

Jim Maloney, representing the same Lions Club, brought the club's concern about overnight camping spots at the Sept. 12, 13 and 14 Marmora Country Music Jamboree.

"The Jamboree seems to be gaining momentum and, while we don't know exactly how many people may or may not want to camp at the fairgrounds, we are concerned that there may not be enough space," Mr. Maloney said. The club was looking for another municipal property that would be in close proximity to the fairgrounds.

Mr. Clemens reported that work is currently underway on the easterly side of the fairgrounds to facilitate the classic car show during the fair and this area will provide the Jamboree with additional space.

The club's request to park campers at the north launch area is against zoning regulations, Mr. Maloney was told. Booster Park, while not close, might provide some overflow space and commercial campgrounds such as KOA should be considered.

Terry Fox Run encourages you to make online pledges

Marmora - Once again, Lloyd McCoy is heading up the Ontario Terry Fox Run that takes place this year on Sunday, September 14, starting at the IGA. Distances ranging from 1km to 5km are being set up and all runs are wheelchair, rollerblade and bicycle accessible. Registration begins at 10am and you can do your run any time up until 2pm.

The Terry Fox Run is in its 23rd year and continues to thrive. A record $8.2 million was raised in 2002. The Terry Fox Foundation invites all residents to help celebrate Terry's legacy by participating in, or donating to, the 2003 Run. Last year the total funds raised in Ontario totalled $8,164,000 with 1,100 communities contributing $2.95 million of that amount. Total funds raised nationally amounted to $13.6 million.

You should know that 89 cents of each dollar raised goes directly to cancer research; nine cents go to fundraising; and two cents go to administration. As well as runs in Canada, 627 runs took place in 48 different countries with $6.3 million raised internationally.

Researchers have uncovered a staggering amount of information about cancer since Terry set out on his Marathon of Hope in 1980. Researchers have made tremendous progress understanding cancer, resulting in new and improved therapies to combat the disease.

Cancer research is very expensive and funding comes from many sources. The Terry Fox Foundation is the second largest non-governmental funding body of cancer research in Canada. The Foundation has given over $17 million in research grants for 2003/04.

And, this year, you can do online pledging. It saves you time by reducing or eliminating the paperwork; Terry Fox Run donors can use their VISA or MasterCard to make a donation on a secure connection. This reduces paperwork for the participant; the donor will receive a tax receipt immediately; and the Foundation saves money!

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Hazardous Waste Day

Marmora – This Saturday, August 23, there will be a household hazardous waste day on Cameron Street behind the tennis courts from 9am to 2pm. There is no charge for any of the following items: paints, stains, pesticides, cleaners, solvents, medicines, lead acid and dry cell batteries, propane tanks, unbroken fluorescent tubes (maximum of 12 x eight foot length), kerosene, brake fluid, car wax, pool chemicals, vermin poison, ammonia-based cleaners, chlorine bleach, disinfectants, floor and furniture polish, oven cleaner, metal polish, drain decloggers, glues and cements, paint stripper, rust remover, thinners and turpentine, wood preservative, lighter fluid, mothballs, stain remover.

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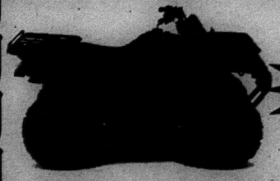

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Rockin' the Jamboree

Top photo: Shirley Myers wowed the 14th Havelock Country Jamboree audience last Thursday evening.

Right: Charlie Major brought his own special brand of music to the crowd.

The province-wide black-out didn't affect anyone performing at the Jamboree, nor the audience, as generators were on hand to supply plenty of power to the entertainers.

About 60,000 enthusiastic country music fans descended on Havelock last weekend. A great time was had by all those who attended, from audience to stars. Autograph sessions added to the excitement of the events last weekend.

The two main attractions at the Jamboree were Lorie Morgan and Neal McCoy. The surprise attraction was Big Al Downing, whose unique style brought the crowd to their feet.

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Area farmers plan Aug. 29th meeting to address crisis

By Rolly Ethier

Agricultural and political leaders will be in attendance for an Information Night program and rally Friday, Aug. 29th at the Warkworth Arena to address the ongoing beef-farming crisis. Starting time is 7:30 p.m.

Organizers have made application to the Trent Hills' Finance Committee to either waive the rental or offer a reduced arena rental for that evening as a gesture of support for the struggling farmers. Although most of the committee expressed an interest to cooperate with the request, the petition was passed along to the Recreation Committee as a matter of protocol.

The get-together will be an opportunity for area farmers to hear first hand about the current uncertain status from organizations such as the Northumberland Cattlemen's Association and the Northumberland Federation of Agriculture, the Milk Producers and the Holstein Club. Purpose of the rally is to lobby for federal financial assistance. Jaye Hoskins is chairman of the event.

Impacts Agri-Food

Local farmer Gene Brahaney, a member of the Arena Recreation Advisory Committee, said the meeting will underline the plight of the cattle industry and, in particular, how it's impacting the agri-food business—such as suppliers, food stores, equipment dealers, repair shops, right down the line.

"Just as this meeting was being organized, the door opened a little with shipments of some boxed meats being allowed at the U.S. border, providing some hope to the crisis," said Brahaney. "The bigger issue is the huge backlog of cattle in this country with nowhere to go."

Various organizations are pledging support dollars to hold the meeting but the event will not derive any admission revenue.

"The whole industry is in the tank so this meeting is very important to determine what is needed and what kind of help will be provided by governments," said Councillor Bill Petherick, a long-time beef farmer.

MP Paul Macklin and MPP Doug Galt are expected to attend. Organizers have also invited Ontario Agricultural Minister Helen Johns to be on the speaker platform.

Termination Criticized

The announcement of the meeting comes in the wake of reports that the federal government will terminate the current BSE disaster relief program for cattle and other ruminants as of the end of August.

The additional $36 million, announced by the federal government Aug. 12th, ensured that all cattle on feed as of May 20 and shipped to slaughter by the end of the month will be covered under the program. However, OCA and OFA have collectively made a point to officials at the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food (OMAF) that all cattle traded up to Aug. 31 (not just those priced by August 17 as indicated in a news release) must qualify for the program.

OCA President Ron Wooddisse said the federal announcement was a complete disappointment to Ontario's beef producers as it ignores the commitment made to meet with industry prior to any decisions being terminated.

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Campbellford farmer Gene Brahaney

State of Despair

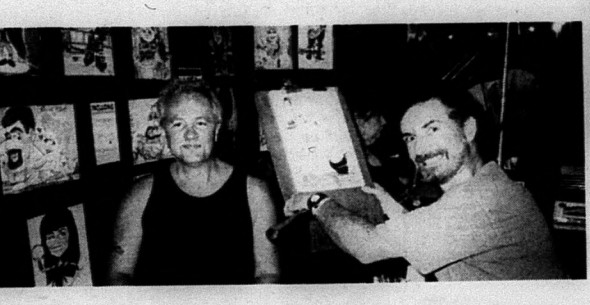
"Terminating the program at this early date without a further commitment by government for additional support for all Ontario beef producers will leave farmers in a continued state of despair," said OFA President Ron Bonnett.

Bonnett explained that the current disaster program only applies for cattle in feedlots. In another month, he noted, when the province's 18,000 cow/calf farmers try to sell their calves, the situation is likely to get much worse without funding available to this sector as well.

The economic setback to Canadian agriculture has been staggering all because of a single case of mad cow disease and potential BSE contamination detected several months ago.

But as far back as May 21, 2003, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency said: "We have no reason to believe that there is a risk to human health." It based that assessment on the fact that no meat from the infected cow entered the human food chain. Officials continue to talk about ways of resolving the closed border dilemma. Ontario Minister of Agriculture and Food, Helen Johns, accompanied by Wooddisse and Bonnet recently visited Pennsylvania and Michigan to review the situation facing Canada's livestock industry.

4th Havelock Country Jamboree attracts 60,000



Ed Young of Ennismore waves a Hank Williams, Jr. rebel flag while his friend Joel Crawford, also of Ennismore, waves his 'fire' flag on Saturday afternoon .

Support for Canadian farmers was apparent in this sign over one of the food vendors' eating area.

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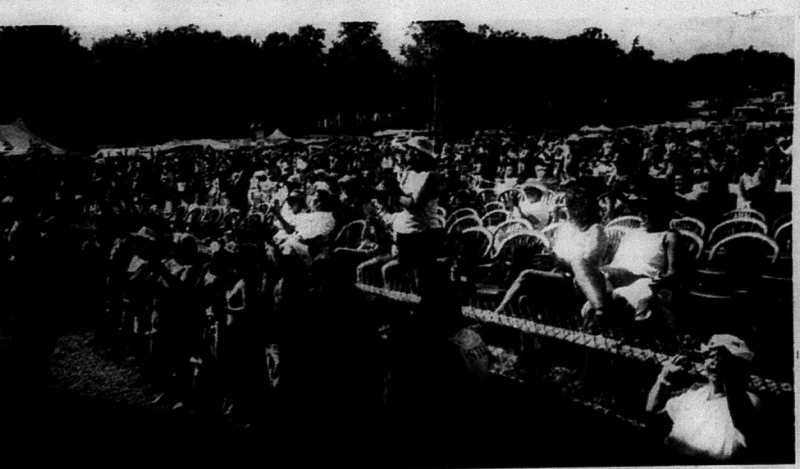

Big Al Downing, top left, had the Jamboree patrons dancing, clapping and havin' a great time with his rock 'n roll numbers at the 14th annual Havelock Country Jamboree Saturday afternoon.

Middle left: Caricaturist Dan Walsh of Lakefield was busy drawing Dave Tyms of Orillia during Thursday night's black out. The show went on!

Saturday afternoon at the Jamboree. It appeared that not enough people had heard of sun screen; red, redder and reddest! Ouch!

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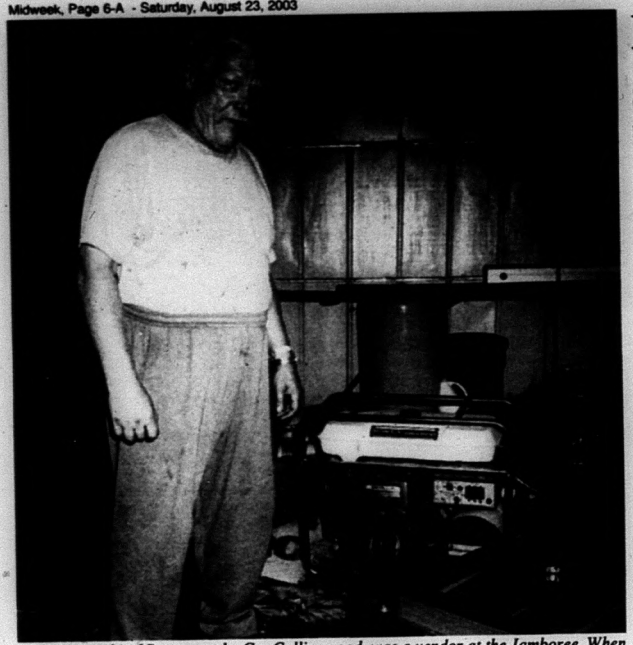

Mike Pynaoski of Power on the Go, Collingwood, was a vendor at the Jamboree. When the black out struck, he was busy loaning generators to three restaurants on the site who needed power to keep going. *photo/Nancy Derrer*

Black out – what black out? say Jamboree organizers

by Nancy Derrer

Havelock – Naively believing that there was a disaster in the making, I hurried to the Havelock Country Jamboree Thursday night, opening night, and found it was truly 'business as usual'. Speaking with Cathy Blakely at the gate, she said: "

At 7pm, the operating ceremonies – three hours after Ontario and north-eastern United States were sunk into total blackness – went ahead on schedule and the bands were going on as scheduled. Jamboree generators were providing lights all over the grounds, as well as at the stage area, she said.

"We're not on town water but what we offer is 'rough' camping. We have three trucks from Campbellford that come around with water for people in the campers but most people are well equipped. And, most people use their flashlights to get back to their trailers after the show."

A visit to the site confirmed everything Cathy had said. Glen Baptie, a mechanic who works at Blakely Shell and volunteers at the site, was working on a diesel generator to power heavy-duty lighting once it got dark.

"We have had generators on site for the past number of years, ever since a lightning strike in Madoc shut us down for two and one half hours several years ago" said Tom Seymour who is responsible for vendors. He explained that generators have been used to feed stage lights and sound ever since.

On the bus, Lynn Blay of Corbeil (near Sudbury) said this was her fourth visit to the Jamboree; she arrived Friday, August 8! Her only problem was that her son called from Guelph to invite himself to join her group. She had to get her car and go out to the crossroad to pick him up, not sure what time he would arrive because of traffic difficulties caused by the black out. Lynn's favourite performer this year is Lori Morgan, scheduled to perform Saturday night.

At the vendor area, I spotted Mike Pynaoski of Power on the Go, Collingwood. Yes, he was a vendor but he had just 'loaned' three big diesel generators to large restaurant vendors who had no alternate power.

The main vendor tent had a supply of lights and other vendors around the area had Coleman lamps lit to display their products from snacks (no popcorn) at a booth operated by Teresa Jones and Anne Hoyle of Bobcaygeon Fudge Company of Fenelon Falls to silver jewellery at another booth.

And, on the stage, the band played on and in the Meet & Greet area Shirley Myers was dealing with a snake-like line up of autograph seekers.

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Glen Baptie is getting ready to start up a diesel generator at the Jamboree during the Thursday night black out. Sound and lights at the stages are all on generator so it was business as usual.

Legion brunches popular

The Havelock Legion Ladies Auxiliary hosted brunches during the Jamboree to sell-out crowds each day. Left, John Foster, Port Hope, Kristan Wood, Lindsay, Kim Wichmann, Omemee, and Jamie Ward, Port Hope.

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12:00 p.m.	Antique Tractor Pull (Start Time)
12:30 p.m.	Pet Show (at the Grandstand)
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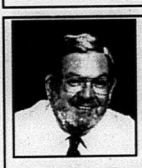

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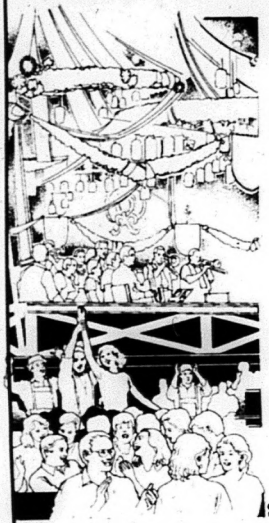

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10:00 a.m.	Horseshoe Tournament (in the Horse Ring)
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Classic Car Show
11:00 a.m.	Kiddies Tractor Pull (in the Curling Club) - Registration at 10:00 a.m.
	Light Horse & Pony Draws (on the Track)
11:30 a.m.	Fireman's BINGO - Fireman & First Response Display
1:00 p.m.	Fiddle & Step Dancing Contest (Curling Club)
2:00 p.m.	Heavy Horse & Pony Draws (on the Track)
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	4-H Calf Club Display
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11:30 a.m.	Crowe Valley Lions BINGO
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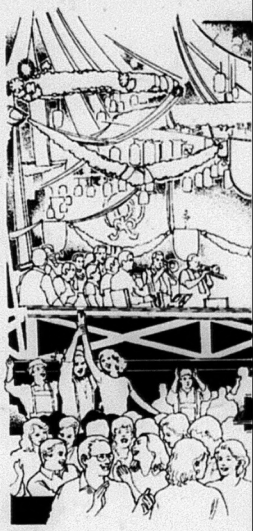

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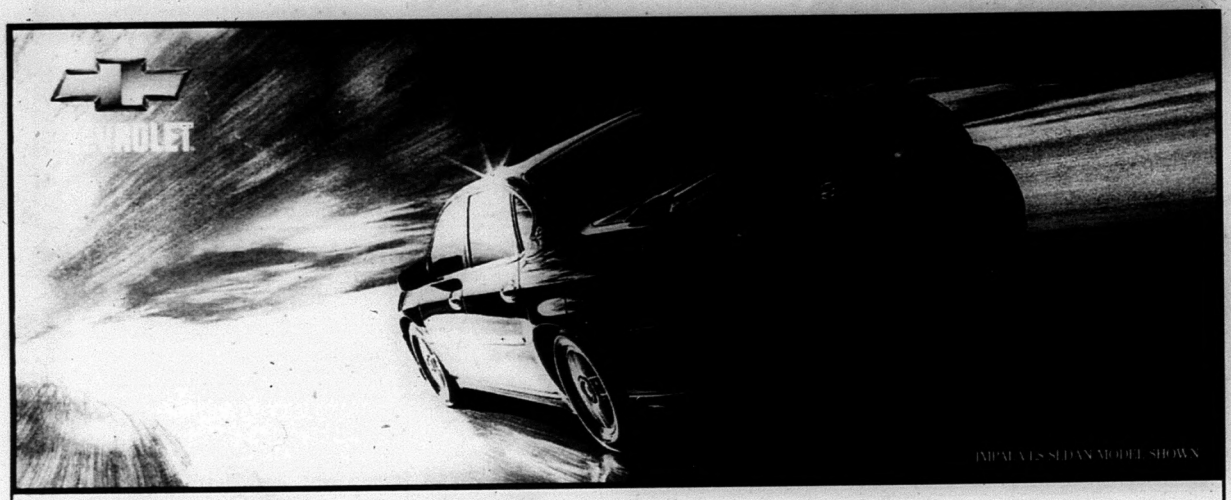

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Six generations represented at Atkinson family reunion

Baltimore—The 39th annual family reunion of the descendants of the late John Alfred Atkinson and Minnie Annetta Macklin Atkinson, of Dartford, was held on July 19th, 2003 at the Baltimore Community Centre Park. There were more than 70 in attendance, an increase from the 2002 picnic. All four children of John and Minnie Atkinson, (Ethel McCleary, Hayden, Warren, and Stuart), were represented at this year's festivities.

The picnic began, as is tradition, by gathering around the picnic tables, and singing the noon meal blessing in melodic four-part harmony. There was a sprawling noon potluck buffet of delicious home-made dishes. The meal was topped-off with mouth-watering homemade pies, such as rhubarb, cherry, and raspberry.

After the noon bounty, one of this year's picnic organizers, (Faith Atkinson, a great-granddaughter), made family related announcements, and greeted particular family members who had come from great distances in order to attend the family reunion this year.

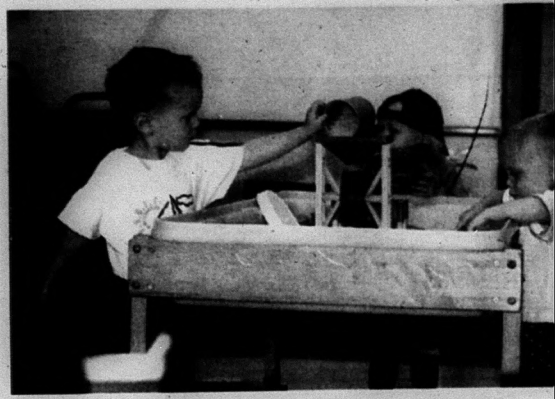
Special attendees this year were Paul, (a great-grandson), and Carolyn Goodfellow of Mission B.C.; Howard Atkinson, (a nephew), of Armstrong, B.C.; Carla, (a great- granddaughter), and Larry Aitken, and their son, Matthew, of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan; David Cole, (a great-grandson), of Grand Rapids, Michigan; and Donald Cole, (a great-grandson), of Traverse City, Michigan. Others included Jim, (a great-grandson), and Cledis Elgie of Kitchener; and Gordon, (a grandson), and Dorothy Atkinson, and their children Rhonda Henry and Paul Atkinson of Ottawa.

Program Organizers

After greetings and announcements, the other organizers of this year's picnic engaged the children and teens in a full program of games, races, and prizes. This year's program organizers were Kerry Bandy, Bev Bandy, Charity Hannigan, and Amy Fleming. All four girls are great-great granddaughters of John and Minnie Atkinson. The adults broke with tradition this year and did not have adult games, choosing instead to renew acquaintances with visiting family members, many who had not seen each other in years.

There were six generations of Atkinsons represented at this year's picnic. Great-great-great-grandchildren in attendance were Aselyn Bandy, Tyler Bandy, Levi Bandy, and Kieran Hannigan. Great-great grandchildren in attendance were Matthew Aitken and Jaden Atkinson.

Carol (a great-granddaughter) and Bill Caine of Cobourg graciously offered to host next year's family reunion at their home. The 2004 picnic will be the 40th anniversary of the Atkinson Family Reunion.



Fun in the Sand at Satellite Centre

Early years fun: Sébastien Sauvé, 2 ½, and Evelyss Baraball, 2, of were having a some real fun in the sand during a stop at the Ontario Ea Centre at the Hastings Civic Centre Tuesday morning. The Hastings satelli is open Mondays from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm; Tuesday and Wednesday fr am until 2:30 pm; Thursdays from 8:30 am until 11:30 am and again fron 7 pm and Fridays from 8:30 am until 11:30 am. Next week's play and lea will be Goodbye Summer Vacation. The Centre will also be hosting a "V Drop-in" on Aug. 29 (10 am to 11:30 am). The drop-in is an information parents with babies where they can meet with a registered nurse.

Photo/Bill F

Port Hope Waterfront Trail venue for Tails Walk-A-Thon

Port Hope—The Port Hope Waterfront Trail scheduled Sunday, Sept. 7th will be the site and date for the annual walk-a-thon hosted by The Northumberland Humane Society. "The Port Hope Waterfront Trail is an excellent choice for this walk," states Roger Hogan, marketing and fundraising coordinator for the Northumberland Humane Society. "It provides a great walking surface in a very natural environment while providing a simply beautiful view of Lake Ontario."

The event boasts a new name this year to recognize the significance and the many users of the Trans Canada Trail of which the Waterfront Trail is part. Also new this year, CHUC 1450 Radio is the key sponsor for the event and will be providing promotions, on site coverage and master of ceremonies for the walk.

"We are very pleased to be a major sponsor of such a worthwhile event," said Dave Hughes, General Sales Manager of CHUC 1450 AM. "As strong corporate members of the community, CHUC prides itself in assisting any local not for profit organization, and feel the Northumberland Humane Society is an excellent partner for our station" Hughes adds.

Registrations for the event start at 10 am at the Band Shell in Memorial Park with the walk starting at 11 a.m. The six-km walk is not expected to take longer than two hours and will end back at Memorial Park for an awards ceremony starting at 1:30 pm. Participants will be treated to a free barbeque lunch at Memorial Park following the walk as well as refreshments at the east end of the trail, which marks halfway point for the walk.

Pledge forms are available throughout Northumberland County at pet supply retailers, veterinarians and animal hospitals, the Thrift Shop on Division Street in Cobourg, Kelly's Barbershop in Brighton, CHUC Radio and the Northumberland Humane Society, or they can be downloaded from the web at www.northumberlandhumane-society.com.

For further information please contact the Northumberland Humane Society at 905 885 4131 or Toll Free at 877 885 4131.

Four arrested in weapons incident

Brighton--Northumberland OPP responded to reports of gunshots Thursday afternoon (Aug. 14th) fired on the south side of Highway 401 east of Spring Valley Road in the Municipality of Brighton.

Witnesses report hearing gunshots and seeing several suspects flee the area eastbound in a vehicle, which was subsequently stopped on Highway 401 between Belleville and Napanee.

Four suspects were taken into custody, the vehicle was seized and a handgun recovered. Charges are to be laid for, offenses both in the Municipality of Brighton and Tyendinaga Township.

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Ted Fox and Art Meyer were busy cooking corn over an open fire at the Legion's annual corn roast last Saturday. **photos/Nancy Derrer**

Brett Morrison and Vanessa were team captains on the relay race; each child had to carry a measuring cup full of water to a pail at the end of the course and then run back.

Brimstone, a local band, with Buck Warren, left, on bass and vocals, Randy Warren on steel and vocals, Philip Warren on drums and vocals and Jim Ellis rhythm and vocals will be the lead band on Friday night & Saturday afternoon at the 2nd annual Marmora Country Jamboree taking place at the fairgrounds Sept. 12-14. Bring your lawn chair.

Plan now to attend 2nd annual Marmora Country Jamboree

by Nancy Derrer

Marmora – The band, The Codes, from Brockville is appearing on Saturday night, not Friday as reported in last week's paper. Friday evening one of the performers will be Don Cochrane from Kingston. Saturday afternoon Chef Adams is on the program.

In all, 23 bands or solo performers will take part in this year's Marmora Country Jamboree. Advance weekend passes are available until Sept. 6 at $25 each. At the gate, the weekend pass is $30, day pass Friday $10, Saturday $15 and Sunday $5. Children under 16 are free, if accompanied by an adult. Free 'rough' camping is included in the weekend pass.

Campsite reservations may be made with Randy Warren at 613-395-0774. Special parking and camping spaces have been reserved at the fairgrounds for the handicapped.

Tickets are available at Cook's Barber Shop, Ice Cream & Bakery House, and from Buck Warren at 472-2001. In Madoc, at Willemsen's Esso; in Stirling at Played to Perfection Music; in Campbellford at Friends; at Bud's Music Centre in Peterborough; the Briar Patch, Century Place, Sam the Record Man, Belleville; and in Trenton at Riverside Music Store.

The fairgrounds will be hopping with bands as well as a corn roast, vendors, roast beef supper, Saturday breakfast, food booths on both Saturday and Sunday – and a beer tent.

Black out 2003 stories

by Nancy Derrer

Marmora – Travellers and residents alike were affected by Thursday's black out that lasted from shortly after 4pm Thursday to 11:30 that night. It even affected Cembal Publications: one of our editors was still putting his paper together when the lights and computers shut down. It was Friday morning before the work could be finished up and the 'flats' sent out to Trenton for printing.

But, by 7am Friday, one resident had called the *Marmora Herald* to report that the Economy Gas Station at the top of the hill had gas during the black out.

"The sign read 69.9 cents a litre but they were actually charging 99.9 cents per litre," it was reported. Investigating the allegation Friday morning, Jas Grewal, station manager, reported how this could be.

"We have a generator that we used to operate our gas pumps and our cash register," Mrs. Grewal explained. "The sign you see from the highway is electronic and not hooked into the generator. We put cardboard sign on one of the pumps stating first 79.9 cents a litre and later 99.9 cents a litre as we started to run out of gas. The gas pumps were very busy."

The handmade sign on the pumps said that the station was open "for emergency gas with a limit per vehicle of $20. We were saving people in an emergency," Mrs. Grewal said. She added that Interac and credit cards could be used because they're hooked into the telephone line not power line.

The generator did not keep the convenience store's coolers on so the owner ended up giving ice cream away rather than throw it out.

Across the road at Bonter Marine, Jeff Bonter reported that the family stayed until the lights came back on; no vandalism was experienced. When asked about the amount of traffic on Highway 7, Mr. Bonter said "cars were lined up on both sides of the road, back to the motel on the east, and another line of cars on the north side of the road, waiting to get gas."

CAO Frank Mills reports that the municipality hooked up its emergency generator at the water plant and, to his knowledge, that provided water for the residents. However, Deloro was without power and water throughout the black out.

At Marmora IGA reports Dwayne Welch the "front of the store" was open until 7:30pm, running on generators. Overnight, meat, frozen foods, ice cream and deli products are all enclosed and stayed cold or frozen until the lights came on at 11:45pm.

At the Launch Pad Bar and Grill, cook Gail Noble said that they could have stayed open because they cook with propane but, because it got hot in the restaurant and it was not possible to wash dishes, the restaurant closed "for health and safety reasons."

Staff came in early on Friday morning, to do Thursday's clean up. Then, from 4:30-6:30pm Marmora was hit by roaming black outs with no power from 4:30-6:30pm and they had to close again. "Business is certainly down," Gail said. "People didn't know whether we were open or closed so they just stayed home."

Letter to Editor

For the past two summers, Alysanne and Dylan Dever have been attending the Cordova Mines and Havelock children's activities at the library.

Theresa Hamilton who has been running the children's program has made us feel welcome in both communities. She has gone beyond the call of duty. She is a very flexible, giving person who is never surprised when the amount of children who show up exceeds 19. Theresa is always calm and a confident individual. Her care and concern extends beyond the library. She has shown Alysanne and Dylan great support throughout the summer. They can't wait to see her during the summer holidays. These will be memories which they will carry throughout their lives.

Over and above all these attributes, she has a sense of humour, friendship which maintains a solid and sound balance on life. Theresa has brought her knowledge, skills to learn and her youth. To have a young educator with Theresa's calibre has been an experience we will never forget.

Good luck, Theresa, in your educational career.

Signed
Alysanne, Dylan and Valerie Dever
Blairton Trailer Park

~Letters to Editor~

On behalf of Communities in Bloom, I would like to thank all who so generously contributed to our efforts. Our community presented well with the judges and we are anxiously awaiting the results in September. Regardless, if we are tops in our 3-5,000 population category, we are all winners.

I would like to thank the merchants who offered cold drinks to our volunteers. Also for all their efforts to paint, water, pull weeds and add floral displays.

Thanks to the volunteers who worked so hard to weed and plant the three entrance signs, the three corner gardens, the parkette and grist mill, also the 14 planter boxes.

Let's not forget the Adult Community group under the direction of Christine Williamson, Crowe Valley Lions for the care at the Memorial Park (the judges called it a jewel and rightly so), the Works department and especially Jeremy who continued to water the baskets and planters, Dave Lunau and each and every group including the schools for their efforts made to pretty their gardens and make bird houses to improve our environmental efforts.

We are pleased to say we have enough left from our $3,550 budget to send four or more delegates to the Keene convention to be held September 20.

I would like to add that there has been some vandalism to our downtown planters and baskets. Should anyone witness misuse of our beautiful displays, please call the OPP or Garden Club at 472-2057.

Sincerely
Rosalie Payer

We were returning home in the evening of Thursday, August the 14th, the day of the power black out. We came through Marmora going westbound on Highway 7. We stopped for gas on the southside of the highway just on the outskirts of Marmora. When the attendant finished filling our tank and told me the price, I was shocked. I asked him what the price was per litre and he said 99 cents.

Talk about price gouging the public who had no control over the black out.

Having bought gasoline and snacks from this business for some time, needless to say I, along with my friends, will no longer be stopping at the business.

Name withheld

Editor's note: regular price would have been $51; this man paid $75 for fill up.

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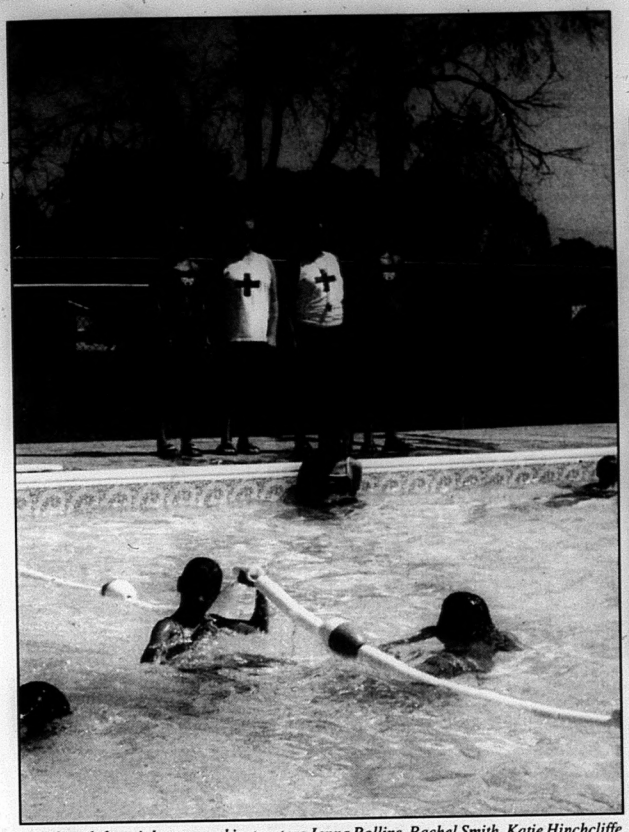

Standing, left to right, are pool instructors Jenna Rollins, Rachel Smith, Katie Hinchcliffe, and manager Ali Althoff. The Madoc Pool will be open from Monday to Thursday, the 25th to 28th, from 1 pm to 4 pm. They can be reached at 473-4994.

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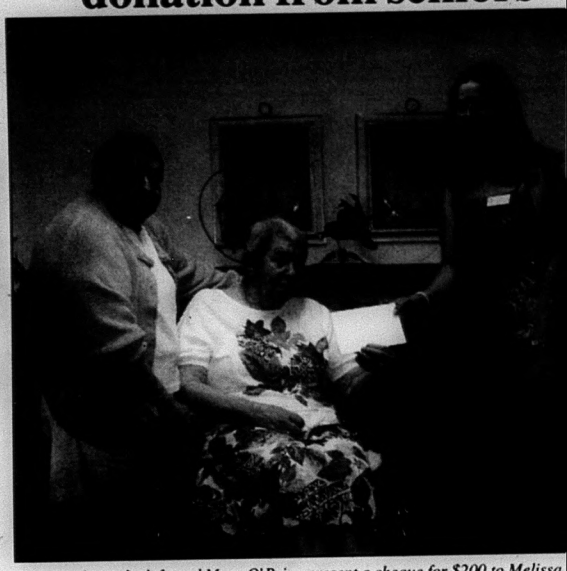
Alzheimer's Society receiv donation from seniors



Jean Smith, on the left, and Mary O'Brien present a cheque for $200 to Melissa Whaites of the Belleville-Hastings-Quinte Alzheimers Society. Mary is the Treas Jean the President of the Stirling Manor residents council. The money was raised yard sales, teas, clothing sales, plant sales, raffles, and other means.

photo/Lawrence M

Military exercise coming to Belleville for soldiers heading overseas to Bosnia

The Canadian Army will be holding an important training exercise in Belleville from Tuesday, September 2nd until Friday, September 12th. The Battle Group of The Royal Canadian Dragoons will be in town practicing their peacekeeping skills.

If you have news or an event you'd like covered, please leave a message on the editor's pager at 967-3155.

The Battle Group is heading overseas in late September and Belleville is representing a town in northwestern Bosnia.

Life in Belleville, including traffic and business, won't be affected. Residents are likely to see vehicles and well-armed soldiers out patrolling, but their weapons will only have blank ammunition. Residents can speak to any soldiers they see to learn more about the exercise.

Solutions to silencing snori

Initial assessment and stay covered by OH

How many couples sleep in separate bedrooms due to the unbearable noise caused by excessive and loud snoring? Just ask Dr. Jack Shahin, a renowned Toronto Otolaryngologist who specializes in the surgical treatment of this very common condition.

Dr Shahin, an ENT surgeon who has been practicing in the Toronto area for over 14 years, has spent the better part of the last 8 years conducting this surgery on patients who are actively seeking relief from excessive snoring. Since the procedure was first offered, the numbers of patients who have undergone this treatment has dramatically increased, making this surgical course of action a significant occurrence.

"The surgery is relatively simple, done in one stage, and takes about 30 minutes", says Dr. Shahin. "Most patients come in for day surgery, with very few requiring an overnight stay for observation". Post-surgery, patients may experience a sore throat for several days, but the cessation of snoring that is almost immediate more than compensates for any post-op discomfort.

Patients will come in for consultation with Dr. Shahin, and will then be sent for an overnight stay at a specialized facility for assessment of any sleep disorders that may be causing the snoring. An in-depth patient analysis is the and various recom tions may be made to offer the patie non-surgical option weight loss (if app or dental appliance patients will opt for gery, as it is a pe solution for the reli excessive snoring t been enduring for s

The cost for th assessment and the stay at the specializ facility is covered Once the various t options are present patient, they can the which route to take

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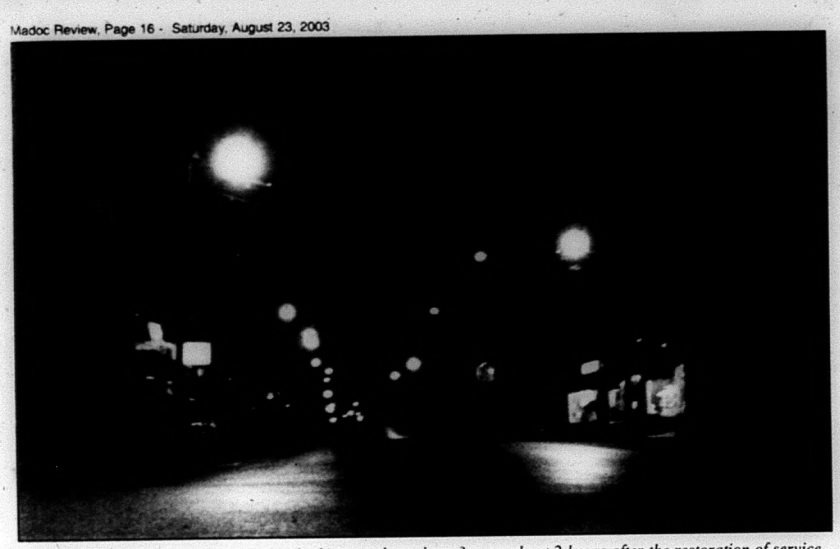

What power failure? – Durham Street, looking south at about 3 a.m., about 2 hours after the restoration of service.
photo / Lawrence McAllister

Power failure brings silence

Numerous additional Central Hastings OPP officers were called in to work last Thursday, to complement the regular shift and ensure the safety and security of all residents during the power outage.

It was quiet throughout the entire patrol area, and there were no incidents of looting, mischief or violence.

It seems that most residents took the opportunity to go to bed early.

Surgery success rate is over 90%

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cost of the surgery, if chosen, being no more expensive than other common day surgery procedures.

The success rate of the procedure is quite high, with over 90% of patients experiencing a significant decrease or complete cessation of their snoring, with little or no recurrence later on.

"This procedure has been very successful in resolving a very annoying problem in many individuals," comments Dr. Shahin, "and since the majority of these patients are motivated to seek help by their partners or spouses, it provides a simple solution for the many bed-mates who have long suffered the effects of this very common condition."

For more information about this surgery to alleviate snoring, contact Dr. Jack Shahin at (416) 289-1225.

Harry Danford at the podium welcomes visitors to the 15th annual Hastings County match. photo / Lawrence McAllister

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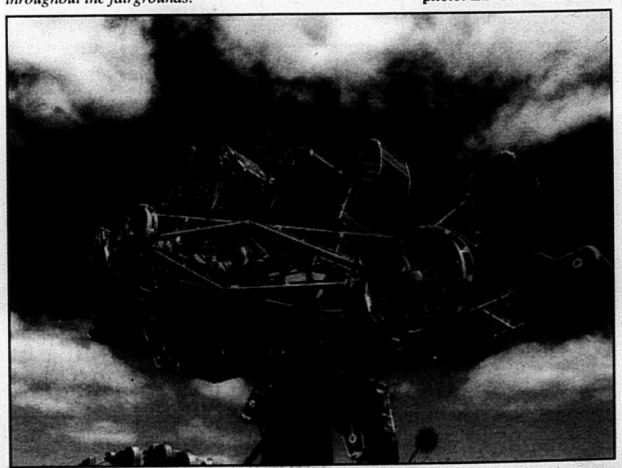
Tractors worked next to horses at the Hastings County Plowing Match and Farm Show, as these ones did when they competed in the first day of events.
photo / Lawrence McAllister

The Zipper – Adventure seekers, take note: this ride drew the most screams, being heard throughout the fairgrounds.
photo / Lawrence McAllister



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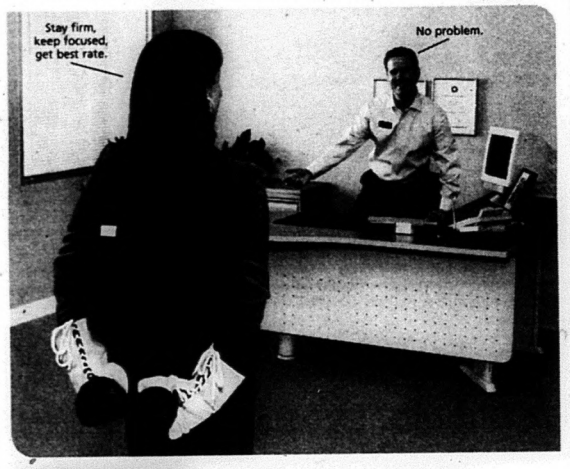

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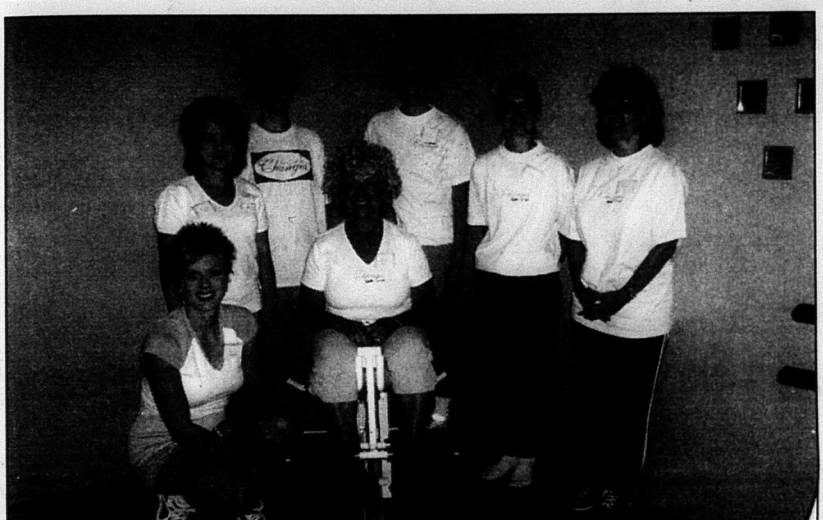

The staff of Changes, a fitness gym for women, from left to right: Jeannette (the manager), Tammy, Cindy, Kathy Herrold (the owner), Alison, Patricia, and Louise. Changes' enthusiastic staff will train and encourage women to feel good about themselves as they undergo what is called circuit training using the many machines. Changes is set to open next week and is at 12 St. Lawrence St. W. **photo/Lawrence McAllister**

Ontario farmer plan to help with energy crisis

Up to 25,000 farmers in the province have generators

With a full understanding of the value of a dependable supply of electric energy, Ontario farmers are preparing to pitch in with their own source of electricity to help with the provincial energy shortage.

At the August 20 meeting of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) board of directors, a resolution was passed to encourage farmers with their own on-farm power generators to disconnect from the public power grid at peak consumption periods and generat own power needs.

"There are about farmers in the provinc on-farm generators, move could free up million kilowatts fo consumers," says Bonnett, President OFA. It will be a total untary effort by indi farmers.

The move will ho do two things, Bonnet make more energy av for other consumers province and be reco as the agricultural c nity's show of appre to Ontario consume their support over months.

Show appreciation

Ontario's livestock has been hit hard ec cally by the BSE cri the closed United Stat der. During this perio ever, Ontario residen increased their consu of beef. This has helpe Bonnett says, and f want to show their ap tion.

Farmers able to p pate in this initiative switching to their ow erators between 4 and on peak demand da this should be enoug duce the likelihood o outs like that of Augu says Bonnett.

Councillors hear of 24/7 water monitoring

By Lawrence McAllister

This month's meeting of Centre Hastings council revealed that Tom Deline would be running for reeve, Larry Mitz for deputy reeve, Crichton Harrop and Dave Shulz as councillors, and a newcomer to the table, Agnes Thompson, as councillor also.

A meeting was held recently with the MTO and entrance locations were approved for the proposed Tim Horton's.

Depending on an upcoming report, Reeve Deline said, the municipal landfill will be useable for either 30 years or, in a worst-case scenario, for perhaps 4 to 5 years.

Reeve Deline also asked that council find out what cost would be involved to pave from Highway 7 to the landfill.

Crichton Harrop reported on his attendance at an Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) meeting, where he heard a number of speakers. He said one on electrical useage was disappointing because it essentially referred to only large scale users. Another on water safety "terrified" him, he said, because of the liabilities councillors face over water problems. Councillor Harrop also said that Centre Hastings was correct in not introducing bag tags for garbage, and said that studies he saw at AMO showed bag tags were 4% less efficient in reducing total domestic garbage, compared to simply restricting the number of bags allowed on the curb.

When the subject of referendums came up, Reeve Deline said he had no problem with the concept of residents being able to vote to approve or disapprove tax increases, "providing there is no more provincial downloading."

The Reeve said that municipalities were basically "puppets" of the provincial government, as it can create legislation without worrying about the costs of implementing it.

A brief closed session followed so that council could discuss the Public Work's request to investigate the cost of a 3/4 ton, 4 wheel drive truck with an extended cab.

A delegation from the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) next gave a presentation to council. The OCWA monitors water quality in Centre Hastings, and although it began life in 1993 as a provincial crown corporation, it is financially self-sustaining, competes in the open market and is the largest company of its kind in Ontario.

Catherine Barr of OCWA explained how OCWA uses its proprietary software and hardware to continuously monitor water usage, quality, and other factors such as pump use and water flow.

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School begins with safety

While it won't be long before crossing guards, school buses, and thousands of area children mark the start of another school year, for some parents this will be the first year their child will be attending school. The KFL&A Health Unit has a safety message for all parents-safety starts before children leave for school. National statistics show that safety issues with children attending school should be a concern to all parents. Over 3,000 child pedestrians, between the ages of 1 and 14, are injured from being hit by cars-approximately 40 will die. Pedestrian injuries are second only to motor vehicle crashes as a cause of serious injury and death to Canadian children, with children ages 5 to 9 being most at risk. At these ages, children are not consistent in making safe choices when crossing streets on their own.

"Understanding traffic is a complex process that needs quick decision-making, and we know that children do not generally develop the necessary skills and judgment for this until about age 9," said Janet Dawson, Public Health Promoter with the KFL&A Health Unit. "Young children have difficulty telling what direction sound is coming from, how fast a vehicle is traveling and how far away a car is. Because children are smaller, it is harder for them to see cars and be seen by drivers. "

Use these tips to prepare your children for a safe school year:

* Plan a walking route to school or the bus stop. Choose the most direct way with the fewest street crossings and use intersections with crossing guards. Tell your child to stay away from parks, vacant lots, fields, and other places where there aren't many people around.

* Walk with children who are younger than age nine. One idea is for parents to organize a walking school bus, which picks up children as it walks through the neighbourhood. This way, parents can share the responsibility and time involved in getting children to

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Pot Luck Corn roast

By George Boyd

On Thursday evening August 21st the members of the Madoc Garden Club and their families joined together at Diane and Dennis Chafer's home. Moira Lake was the setting for what turned out to be a lovely, warm, breezy evening for a potluck and corn roast. The members provided the salads, sliced meats, sandwiches, cheese, macaroni dishes, deserts and lots of corn with butter, salt and pepper. Light refreshments were also provided.

One of the dinner plates was marked with an "x" and the lucky winner was Anne White receiving a box shaped candleholder. A 50/50 draw and the winners were Eva Frazier winning the money as she drew her own winning number and Anne White received a gift.

The families formed a circle and wrapped gifts were passed out throughout the circle. The story was read by Dianne and as the words, "LEFT" or "RIGHT" came up in the story line. The gifts were past accordingly "LEFT" or "RIGHT". We all had to pay attention in case we missed the key words and there were a lot of them in the story line.

The evening drew to a close as the sun began to set on another "pot luck corn roast".

Saturday August 24th, the date for the garden clubs, fall plant sale at the Farmer's Market in downtown Madoc Jan Bruce, Eve Butts and Cathy Murdock manned the table. The club members supplied plants. The weather cooperated with a warm sunny day. Unfortunately not many people knew about the garden club plant sale, as there was no advertising in the Madoc Community Events column of the local paper.

On Sept 18th 7.30 p.m. our club will meet at the Kiwanis Centre Madoc and our guest speaker will be M. G. Nancy Brady speaking on storage of summer flowering bulbs for winter.

Planting of fall bulbs for spring and bulbs that flower in the fall. Bulbs, that can be left in the ground permanently. When to divide your bulbs. Bring your questions and have a Master Gardener give the write answers to your questions. New members are always welcome.

School safety tips

Motorists must stop in both directions when school buses have their flashing lights on and their stop sign out. **photo/ Lawrence McAllister**

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school safely and promote physical activity. Older, responsible children can also help walk young children too.

* Be sure your child knows his or her home phone number and address.

* Teach children-whether walking, biking, or riding the bus to school-to obey all traffic signals, signs, traffic officers, and safety patrols. Remind them to be extra careful in rainy, foggy, or snowy weather.

* Make sure your children walk to and from school with others-a trusted friend, neighbor, brother, or sister.

* Teach your child never to talk to strangers or accept rides or gifts from strangers. A stranger is anyone you or your child doesn't know well or trust.

For both children and parents, school bus safety is an important issue that many people overlook. In this first week of school, it is crucial that communities know the traffic safety rules. Below are a few simple tips that you can teach your child to help keep them safe around buses:

* Arrive at the bus stop at least five minutes before the bus is scheduled to pick the children up.

* Always stand four giant steps back from the curb. When lining up, make the line away from the street.

* Never walk behind the bus.

* If your child has to cross the street to access the bus, make sure they know to make eye contact with the bus driver before stepping onto the street.

* Educate your child about the straps on their book bags, as well as any drawstrings that might be hanging from their clothes. These can easily get caught in the door or railings, so children need to take care to keep them secure.

* Be sure that your child knows to never step in front of the bus. Before crossing in front of the bus, they must always make eye contact with the bus driver.

Take time to listen carefully to your child's fears and feelings about people or places that scare them or make them feel uneasy. Tell them to trust their instincts. Take complaints about bullies and other concerns seriously.

Parents remember:

* Automobile drivers must always stop when the bus has on its flashing lights and the stop sign out. It is a serious offense to ignore this law and can result in tragedy.

For information on the safe school tips call Baby Talk at 1-800-267-7875.

Legion, Chamber looking for veterans' input

By Lawrence McAllister

The Madoc and District Chamber of Commerce, along with the Madoc Legion, is planning on an exhibition at the Library and Cultural Centre. Brenda Rump, the Chamber's Events Coordinator, and John Atkinson of the Legion explained what they were looking for this week. "We'd like vets of all wars in the area to contribute photographs or souvenirs," Brenda said. John pointed out that this included vets of the action in Korea, which was technically not a declared war but one in which Canadians saw service nevertheless.

The plan is to display these items from mid-September until the end of November. The Madoc Legion has asked council to proclaim the week of September 21st as Legion Week in the municipality.

Both John and Brenda stressed that they would sign and if necessary label or identify any objects vets would like to put on display, and that the cabinets are locked. Pictures will be hung from the wall as the present artwork is.

Rollin donation

John, who has prepared information on local vets previously, noted that the library building itself was donated by the Rollin family in memory of those who fought or died in World War Two.

Some momentos from war are already on display, thanks to Newt Kincaid and Wilfred Thompson, Brenda said. Vets can call John at 478-4185, or the Chamber of Commerce, and Brenda promised calls would be returned within 24 hours if callers leave a message.

Quinte Symphony raises the barre for quality entertainment in Quinte

The Quinte Symphony will kick off this new season in rollicking style with **The Gilbert & Sullivan Revue**, a showcase of favourite G&S, including Pirates of Penzance, The Mikado, The Gondoliers and H.M.S. Pinafore! Stellar Quinte talents, soprano Elizabeth Davidson and tenor Robert Martin-Reid appear as guest-artists with the Quinte Symphony on Sunday, October 19, 2003 at 2:30 p.m. This concert is graciously made possible by H&R Communications.

Christmas Fantasia!

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rmora Seniors' Club members and guests ready to board the bus. photos/Wilma Bush

eniors' Mystery bus tour ravels to Athens - Ontario

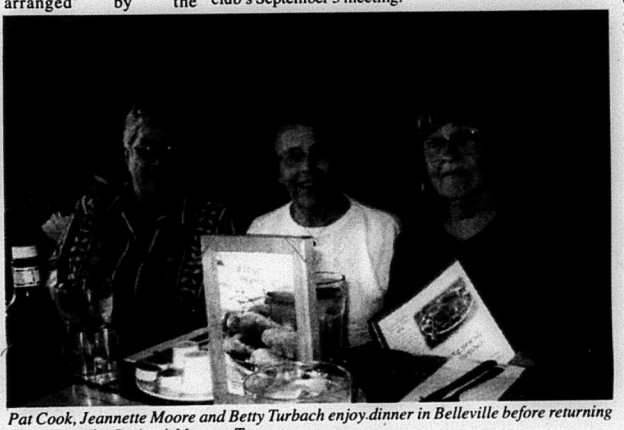
Wilma Bush

Marmora – A busload of rmora Senior Citizens left rmora Tuesday morning a Mystery Tour. Marilyn, sident of the Marmora b, arranged the day and erett Vansteinburg and ver was Larry Bertrand. Travelling east, they fi- ly stopped in Perth, had ffee at Tim Horton's, red the town admiring the ny, old stone buildings, n proceeded on to Smiths ls where they toured the ge chocolate factory. ey were amazed watch- the large vats of choco- e, the different moulds ting out chocolate can- s and bars, which were n wrapped, all done by chines.

Lunch took place at rvey's before proceeding Athens, where they ad- red the large paintings on exterior of buildings.

The scenery along the Gananoque waterway was then enjoyed before travelling to Belleville for dinner at Swiss Chalet.

This will be the last tour arranged by the Vansteinburgs as they are moving to Elliot Lake in mid-September. Elections for the new Marmora Seniors executive will take place at the club's September 3 meeting.



Pat Cook, Jeannette Moore and Betty Turbach enjoy dinner in Belleville before returning home from the Seniors' Mystery Tour.

20,000 reads under the sea: our final chapter

by Nicole Black

Marmora – As the summer draws to a close, Nicole and Melissa, coordinators of the summer programs at the Marmora & Lake Public Library would like to express a few words of thanks to those who have made our summer of fun possible.

First, to the librarians, Sheryl Price and Joan Hutt, who have graciously allowed the basement of the library to be turned into an underwater world and who have sacrificed a few hours of quietness. Secondly, to the Friends of the Library, who have provided us with the funding to allow the children to enjoy new supplies, activities and a new reading centre for storytime. These donations were greatly appreciated and enjoyed by all.

Our gratitude must also be extended to the Marmora store owners who have displayed our now sun-faded ads throughout the summer. Without your kindness, the attendance would not have been so high. And to David Badgley and Stephanie Adams, who have graced us with their presence on two different occasions, we thank you and hope it was an enjoyable change.

Last, but not least, we want to thank the children. Your attendance and imagination brightened up the basement and we hope you had a great summer. We hope that you all had as much fun participating as we did planning and creating your summer. We also need to thank the parents who have faithfully brought you to the library for these past nine weeks.

The children at the library participated in a colouring contest over the last few weeks. Each program was given a different picture, all relating to our theme. ... though all of the children ... an excellent job, three art... were chosen: Stacey Sav... *TD Reading Club*, Britt... Rudy *Summer Fun*, a... Madeleine McGregor *St... Time*. Congratulations to ... exander Carson-Mayt... who named the library f... Rocky.

If your child was re... tered in any of the librar... summer programs and ... not able to attend the last ... we ask that you come by ... library and pick up th... crafts, posters and cert... cates. The library is o... during the following ho... Tuesday, 1-5pm, Thurs... 3-7pm, Friday 1-7pm ... Saturday 10am-4pm.

On a final note, con... ter lessons are now over... the year. We hope that th... who participated have ga... a foundation of basic c... puter knowledge that ... were seeking. The lib... will be holding lessons ... summer programs next s... mer, so be sure to inqui... you are interested.

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July 4 – Ladies high Marg McGregor 70; 2nd Jackie Lusignea 67; Men's high Harold Rush 70; 2nd Mary King 63; M.L.H. Harold Lloyd, Ted Bedore, Harold Rush, Viola Ware and Marjorie Bedore, all with 3.

July 11 – Ladies high Vi Ward 91; 2nd Margaret McGregor 58; Men's high John McGregor 80; 2nd Ted Bedore 65; M.L.H. Jim Irvine and John McGregor, each with 5.

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The Crowe Lake Yacht Club celebrated its 20th anniversary August 16. It also held its annual charity Poker Run.

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(Photo submitted)

Three Oaks celebrates 20 years

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Entertainment will be provided by Louise Ford, Puppets with Purpose, Anahata, Fog on the Burrow Down, Jim Eadie, and Stir. At 1pm there will be a break from the music for a recognition ceremony. Special guest will be Julia Gosson, executive director of United Way of Quinte.

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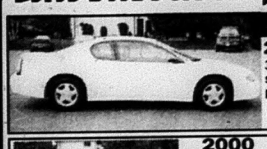

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Expanded June schedule offers new Westben focus

By Rolly Ethier

Campbellford--Looking towards a new focus, the Westben Arts Festival Theatre launched an expanded 2003 season in June with younger and less well-known artists.

It was something of an experiment but, on reflection, Artistic Director Brian Finley was generally pleased with both the quality of theatre presented and the attendance it generated.

Switching from the traditional fare served up in the July schedule, Westben's June concerts featured the likes of La Jeunesse Girls Choir, the Opera Mississauga Chorus, the Westben Festival Choir and the University of BC Opera Ensemble directed by Nancy Hermiston.

"There was lots of activity and lots of youth which helped to stimulate a newer segment of the theatre market, bringing some new patrons to the Barn," proffered Finley. "A lot of those people returned to see the July festival."

In an interview with the Courier, Finley said 2003 audiences picked up in numbers with generally more local patrons attending and many others showing up at The Barn from as far away as Greater Toronto, Ottawa, Kingston and other locales.

"The expanded programming has been a really good building block," observes Finley, who also takes on the Managing Director duties at Westben in addition to continuing his artistic career as a pianist and composer. "Of course, word of mouth is still our best form of advertising."

Off Beaten Track

Part of the charm of Westben, as Finley sees it, is that The Barn is "off the beaten track."

"We are not in downtown Toronto so people don't come with those kind of expectations," he said. "So the whole idea is that Westben has ben able to portray the beauty of our community and that we are away from expectations. Some people attending probably wonder if they're coming to a church basement amateur show before discovering the quality of both the music and artists."

Magical Experience

The unique concept of "World Class Music, Wide-Open Countryside" in a Barn setting is extremely special and creates "a magical experience" for audiences, points out Finley.

"It's simply something you don't get anywhere else," he noted.

As international artists, both Brian and his wife Donna Bennett have performed on the stage of major cities all over the world. Donna lived in Munich, Germany at one time while Brian and Donna resided in London for a number of years.

"I've also lived in Los Angeles, Calgary, Moscow, and other places. We know first-hand the talent level of most of the artists who perform at Westben because we are personally acquainted with most of them," he noted. "We could just as easily present any of our Westben concerts in major cities around the world and I would have to believe they would be embraced with the same enthusiasm."

After a lull in programming during the month of August, which offered Brian and Donna an opportunity for a brief respite from the non-stop action, Westben is preparing for eight more concerts in September.

Major Fundraiser

One of these is a major fundraiser featuring Robert Silverman called "Sipping with Silverman," where the artist will discuss everything from Chopin to Chardonnay with the audience. That takes place Sept. 23rd at 7 p.m. An icon of Canadian music, Silverman will introduce the wines of different countries and play music synonymous to those particular countries. A silent auction will also be held.

"Here's a guy who has recorded all 32 Beethoven piano sonatas and won various awards," says Finley. "So it's a chance to listen to him speak and play. We hope to encourage high schools to come out and listen to his lectures and demonstrations."

The September schedule also features a series of Beethoven piano concerts, exploring the three style periods of the composer. Young, up-and-coming star David Jalbert, Finley and Silverman will be featured performing the works of Beethoven.

"A Funny Guy"

Along with a lot of other theatregoers, Finley is looking forward to the appearance of William O'Meara and his "Not-So-Silent" Screen presentation on Sept. 26th. O'Meara is renowned as an accompanist for silent films but Finley points out he is also one of the funniest guys he knows—extremely entertaining.

"He'll bring his own projectionist and a Charlie Chaplin film will be shown on a big screen on stage as he goes through his performance," explains the Westben GM. "It should be a lot of fun."

Right after that the Emperor Quartet will perform A Tribute to the Prince of Wales and finally the curtain comes down on the summer season at Westben with Cantabile in the Countryside. It features the Cantabile Women's Choir of Kingston, Ont., with Mark Sirett conductor.

Westben also plans another Christmas season presentation Dec. 6-7 when the True North Brass returns for a celebration that Finley assures will be complete with hot apple cider, sleigh bells and sing-a-longs.

That will complete what has been a memorable year at The Barn.

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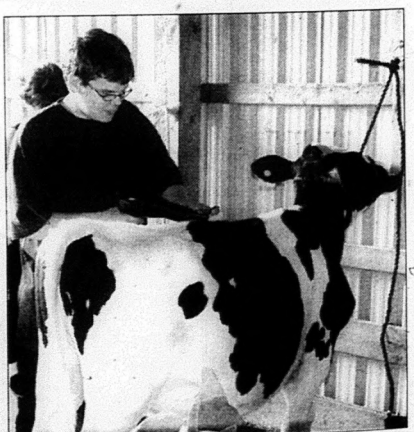
Brian Finley, Artistic Director, Westben Arts Festival Theatre.

Ambassadorial smile: The Norwood Fair will have another bright, articulate and effervescent Ambassador in 2003-04. Erin, photographed above the moment her name was announced; won the prestigious honour during an exciting gala evening at the Norwood Curling Club. She and six other contestants sought the crown this year with (right photo) Lena Carter (L)) and Julia Buck (R) winning runner-up honours. **Photos/Bill Freeman**



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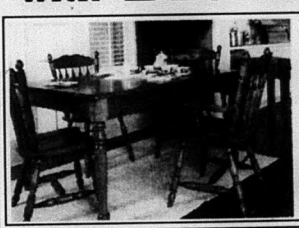

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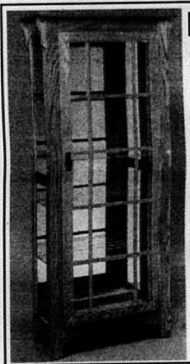

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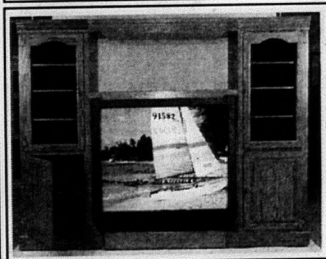

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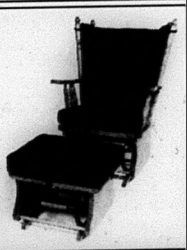

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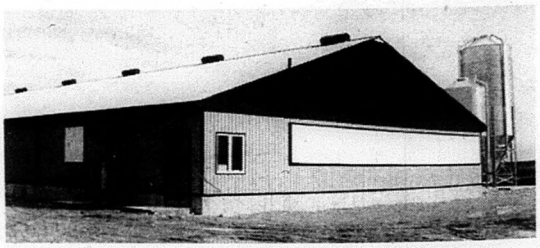

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Claim court security costs impose unfair burden

By Rolly Ethier

Campbellford--In a presentation prepared for County Council, representatives of Trent Hills and Brighton contend their municipalities are not getting a "fair shake" in having to absorb court security costs.

Council quickly approved making a joint presentation, which was scheduled for Aug. 28th in Cobourg, arguing the unfair burden the current provincial government system imposes. Council heard details of the presentation at a regular monthly meeting Monday night.

Officials of the two municipalities decided that since they held a similar view on the issue they should make a joint presentation instead of two separate presentations.

Main thrust of the proposal recommends that the province reconsider assuming the costs of providing court security for all criminal, youth court and small claims court sittings.

It is also their contention that if municipalities are to remain responsible for court security, costs should be paid by the upper tier level of government (the County) and shared on a proportional basis with lower tier Councils. If a lower tier municipality wishes to appeal their proportion of the court security costs, then they would also be appealing the whole county levy proportion to the County, the presentation charges.

Special Security

Another component of the presentation centres on security costs for youth and high-risk prisoners. Because they require special security, the cost for bringing them to court should be absorbed by the province, the two municipalities contend.

In discussions with the OPP, officials learned that the provincially-funded Offender Management Transportation Unit (OMTU) does not provide the transportation costs for these prisoners. The result is a costly process involving many person hours of time and overtime, plus vehicles and gas costs.

It is the recommendation of Brighton and Trent Hills to encourage the province to address escalating costs with the handling of youth and high-risk offenders. Rather than having the responsibility placed on the local municipality, costs should be incorporated into the OMTU program, the presentation suggests.

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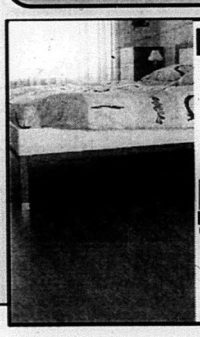

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The Awards Banquet will be held Oct. 18th at Thurlow Hall.

Riders from Stirling, Springbrook, Marmora, Madoc, Campbellford and Belleville, among others, took part in the final meet.

Organizer Lynn Haywood extended her thanks to all the competitors and sponsors for an enjoyable season.

The Halter Champion was Sarah Hogg with C. A. Natasha while Sydney Peters and Tiger placed reserve.

Other winners:

Showmanship: Champion—Sarah Hogg and C. A. Natasha; Reserve—Ellie Nielson and Elshazam.

Walk/Trot: Champion—Lisa McKeown and Bey Shahara; Reserve—Leah Steale and Sweet Tempest.

Hunter: Champion—Kaila Kivisaari and Psyche's Psun; Reserve—Kelly Whitton and Sunny Delight's Nero.

Hunter's Pleasure: Kara Calmes and Katrina Angelique; Reserve—Kaila Kivisaari and Psyche's Psun.

Western: Champion—Michael Dillon and Miss Dee; Pleasure: Reserve—Tracey Beckford and Joy.

Biker heroes: Paul Jolicoeur and Rob Irving used pedal power to travel from Norwood to Windsor recently during an exhausting and exhilarating trip that was also a fundraiser for the Asphodel-Norwood Action 2000 community recreation committee. The cyclists raised more than $3,000.
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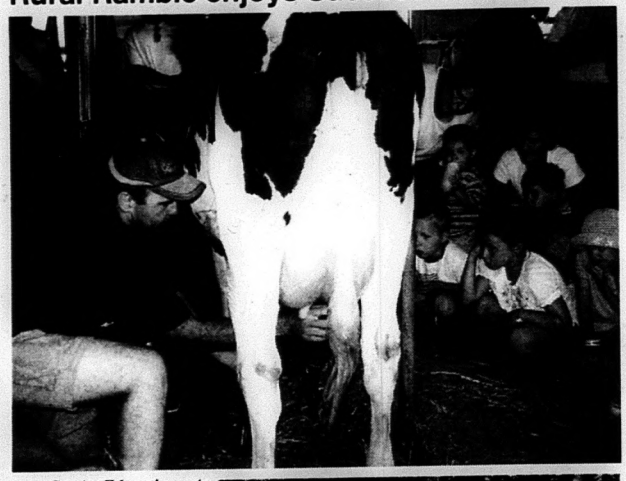
Rural Ramble enjoys Successful Weekend!



Kids Get An Education—*A milking demonstration by Bob McComb definitely got the attention of youngsters at Combview Dairy's program of Rural Ramble activities last Saturday. The milking operation is completely computerized. In a matter of minutes, this cow produced 30 pounds of milk for all to see. The McComb farm, purchased by Bob's great grandparents in 1905, includes 48 cows milked twice a day.* ***photo/Rolly Ethier.***

Rural Ramble Enthusiast—*Scott Glover of Grafton stopped by at the Willowview Farm in Morganston with his two sons, Alec, 5, and Samuel, 2. They were among hundreds of visitors who took advantage of the Rural Ramble tour to examine at close range the many facets of agricultural life in Northumberland County.* ***photo/Rolly Ethier.***

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New Wildfire course offers walk through dazzling scene

Norwood—With very little fanfare, Wildfire Golf Club and architect Tom McBroom have unveiled a spectacularly designed, traditional walking course that will blaze a new trail in Ontario's Kawartha cottage country.

The private course opened for play in July.The last of the fairways on this gently rolling 210-acre Stoney Lake property were seeded in September 2002. The 6,900-yard, par-72 layout is on schedule to open in July as the first premium member and resort golf club in the region.

"Wildfire's natural features make it a really strong site for golf because it's not severe. The land has an enticing rumpled feel, which leads to it being very walkable, like a Rocky Crest in the Muskokas," says McBroom, who first walked the Wildfire site in 2000.

Open meadow, mixed bush, pine forest and wetland, dominate the site and gave McBroom many elements to work with in creating a seamless routing.

Traditional Golfer

"I try to design a walking course whenever I can, unless we are constrained by topography," McBroom says. "I'm a very traditional golfer and traditional player, I love to walk. Much of the thrill and the joy of the game, is the walk. Even if you're playing poorly, I like to think of it as at least you're having a nice walk."

He says the baby-boomer market is going back in time and demanding walking courses, especially at member clubs like this one. With this in mind, McBroom blended the natural landscape into the course routing so a walk in the park becomes the setting for 18 stunning vistas.

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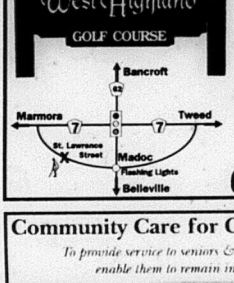

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RESULTING from car accident near Marmora July 12, our dog Ranger ran off. He was found one wk. later, thanks to much help from so many: Liz Outram, Harvey Gold, Gord Lever, OPP, men at quarry, peole at campground and Colonial Inn, all area residents who called with clues. Thanks so much to all of you. Brian, Lis, Mark & Dana Lampi.

THANKS to my family, relatives and friends for the gifts, cards and for attending our 50th anniversary party. Loma, Lyle Fluke

THANKS to everyone who attended my going away party. You all will be greatly missed. Theresa Wickman

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Tougher driving laws to be imposed

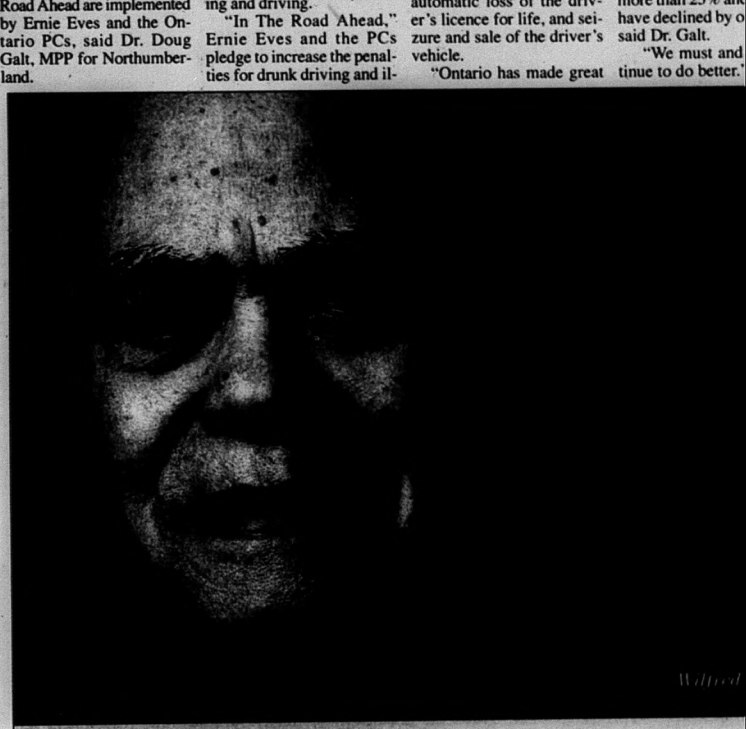
Northumberland —Ontario's roads will be even safer once tough new drinking and driving measures in the PC party's platform The Road Ahead are implemented by Ernie Eves and the Ontario PCs, said Dr. Doug Galt, MPP for Northumberland.

The PCs will build on the measures they have implemented since 1995 that have made Ontario a leading jurisdiction in combating drinking and driving.

"In The Road Ahead," Ernie Eves and the PCs pledge to increase the penalties for drunk driving and illegal racing, the two most dangerous abuses of the driving privilege. A second conviction for drunk driving or illegal racing would mean automatic loss of the driver's licence for life, and seizure and sale of the driver's vehicle.

"Ontario has made great progress in the batt drinking and driv 1995. This is unde the fact that drinkir collisions have dec more than 25% an have declined by o said Dr. Galt.

"We must and tinue to do better."



Lions BBQ: Upwards of 300 people streamed through the cool arena for an excellent meal prepared by the Norwood Lions Club and Master of the Barbecue Glenn Saltern. **Photo/Bill Freeman**

Break and Enter

Police are looking for a suspect believed to be involved in two break-and-enters in Hope Township on July 31st.

A DVD player was stolen at one residence while an undisclosed quantity of cash and credit cards were stolen at the second.

Police conducted a canine search in the area but were unsuccessful.

The suspect is described as a man with an olive complexion, medium build with long dark dreadlocks to his shoulders.

He wore an orange jersey with the number 27 on it. He had blue pants.

A second male suspect has a stocky build, blond hair and a white T-shirt.

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Cook Road Maintenance Association, made up of 60 cottagers and 150 people who reside full or part-time on the north end of Crowe Lake, got together Saturday afternoon for a Getting to Know You corn roast that was organized by John Marchment as his association. People arrived on foot, on 4-wheeler, on bicycles or by car. With about 100 cottagers in the background, Mr. Marchment presents Reeve Lionel Bennett with a $1000 cheque toward the purchase of the Marmora Medical Centre. The association hopes to make this an annual donation as permanent residents on the road find the medical centre an asset. ***photo/Nancy Derrer***

If variety is the spice of life, think vegetarian

by Nancy Derrer

Marmora – The monthly vegetarian cooking class, combined with helpful information about certain diseases such as heart disease or diabetes, continues upstairs at the Community Centre, the last Monday of each month. Last Monday, the three instructors (RNs Mary Williams and Phyllis Vallieres, and Twyla Dimitropoulos) concentrated on the importance of a good, wholesome breakfast. Hot on the heels of that day's news that a meat processing plant in Aylmer had been shut down, with no explanation given to the public, the trio zeroed in on alternatives to meat that taste good and are adaptable to personal preference in the choice of ingredients, for example a variety of nuts or seeds can be chosen for a recipe, depending on your flavour buds.

Concerning diabetes that affects one in five people in North America at some point in their life, the trio claim this disease can be prevented and sometimes even cured. Low fat, both in the diet and on the body, is the secret, they said. The main villain in adult-onset diabetes is the enormous amount of fat in our diet. They advise to use less fat, oil and grease during cooking by using non-stick cookware, cooking vegetables such as onions, green peppers and other vegetables in broth instead of browning in fat, use less oil, butter or fat than a recipe calls for, eliminate the dabs of butter from casserole toppings and vegetables, use a non-stick spray instead of greasing a casserole dish, avoid frying, only cook very lean meat (or better yet, eat no meat at all) and steam or microwave vegetables instead of sautéing them in butter or oil.

How to beat Type II diabetes? Eat more natural fiber-rich foods; use fresh whole fruits (up to three serving a day if you have diabetes); avoid refined and processed foods that are usually high in fat and sugar and low in fiber; markedly reduce fats, oils and grease; walk briskly twice a day for 30-minutes each and, if you have diabetes, work with a physician experienced in the effects of dietary therapy to monitor and adjust your insulin need. Green apples are good for diabetics.

For breakfast, Ms Williams recommended taking two glasses of lemon-flavoured water (use a slice of lemon, not bottled) 20 minutes before eating. Then fresh fruit followed by a millet pudding, which can be eaten hot the day you make it or prepared the day before and eaten cold. All nuts and seeds should be washed before eating and dried in a low oven.

A morning drink contained strawberries, pineapple, bananas, honey, vanilla and almond extract.

In addition to the fresh fruit drink, the trio demonstrated Whole Wheat Bread for a bread machine, Holiday granola, lentils with flax seed, Chickee cheese spread (a substitute for a real cheese spread with no milk products in it), sunflower sesame seed milk, millet pudding, corn oat waffles, cashew cream and a nut milk.

After two hours of watching all these dishes being prepared, with full explanations given along the way, the dozen-plus people lined up at the bountiful buffet table to sample the results. Some items, like the bread, had been baked prior to the class but freshness was clearly not an issue. Yum!

If you are interested in learning more about high fibre, low fat, meat substitutes, you can call Mary Williams at 472-6789 or leave your name on the answering machine at 1-800-238-7703 and someone will get back to you.

The next cooking class will be held in the Community Centre, Monday, Sept. 29.

Taste-testing the vegetarian recipes at Monday night's vegetarian cooking class are Myra and Arthur Lucas of Belleville, Pauline Liddiard and Marilyn VanSteinburg of Marmora, left to right.

Smiling chefs, left to right, Phyllis Vallieres, Twyla Dimitropoulos and Mary Williams. ***photos/Nancy Derrer***

Legion to welcome Trenton visitors

Hello, Comrades!

News! News! News! Boy, have I got news. Saturday, August 30, we will be hosting a visit from Trenton Legion. The bus is to arrive at approximately 3pm; try to come out to welcome our fellow comrades from Br. 110. DJ Dale will be there to entertain everyone.

The monthly euchre tournament held Thursday, August 21 seemed to be a family affair, as you will see from the following results. 1st Randy McDonald & Jim Gray, Sr.; 2nd Don Gray and Al James; 3rd Jason Gray and Linda Gray! See what I mean? Congratulations to all the winners.

Congratulations, also, go out to the winners of the horseshoe tournament held Sat., August 23. Brian Pierce & Todd Booth, 1st, Marilyn Claus and Dennis Ormerod, 2nd. (see photo).

To carry on with some new news: in October, the branch will be holding a Fish Fry, Sat., Oct. 4. Tickets will be pre-sold, cost is unknown at this time so stay tuned! Take out will be available. I'll have more information for you later.

The branch has booked Tom Hughes and Renee Tom to play again in November so get your dancing shoes ready and be prepared to be entertained.

Sports Chairman Terry Brown has set the dates for our league sports to begin and they are: Sept. 9, euchre (bi-weekly) Tuesday, 7:30pm; Sept. 12, darts (weekly) Fridays 7:30pm; and Sept. 16 cribbage (bi-weekly) Tuesday, 7:30pm.

Also, remember that the ladies afternoon darts start on Sept. 17 (Wednesdays) and the Ladies Auxiliary plays on Wednesday evenings at 7pm, starting Sept. 17.

If you haven't been into the branch lately, I thought you should know the washrooms are receiving some much-needed updating and upgrading also to make them wheelchair accessible. Hopefully, all will be right again very soon.

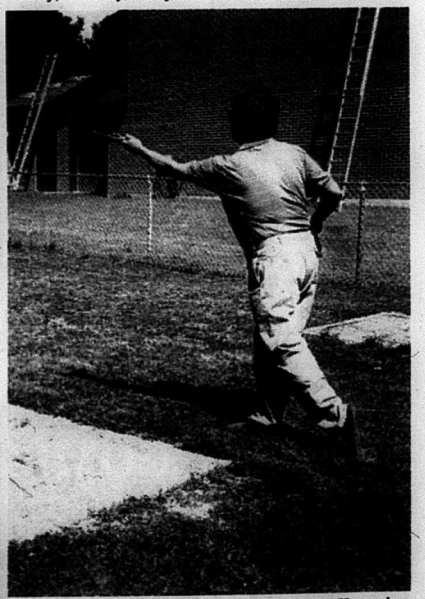
The bingo committee still requires volunteers and a co-chairman, so if you have some time to give, call the branch at 472-1788 and leave your name and phone number. It's only a couple of hours a week that is needed.

Aside from announcements, here is some additional information for you: Executive meeting, Wed., Sept. 10 (note – this is a change). Sept. 11, Zone F3 seminars, i.e. poppy, membership, PRO to name a few. These seminars are for the branch executive and also for persons interested at sitting on the executive in the future. Legion Dress applies, please bring your Legion card for registration. Interested members can call the branch and leave your name and phone number for further details.

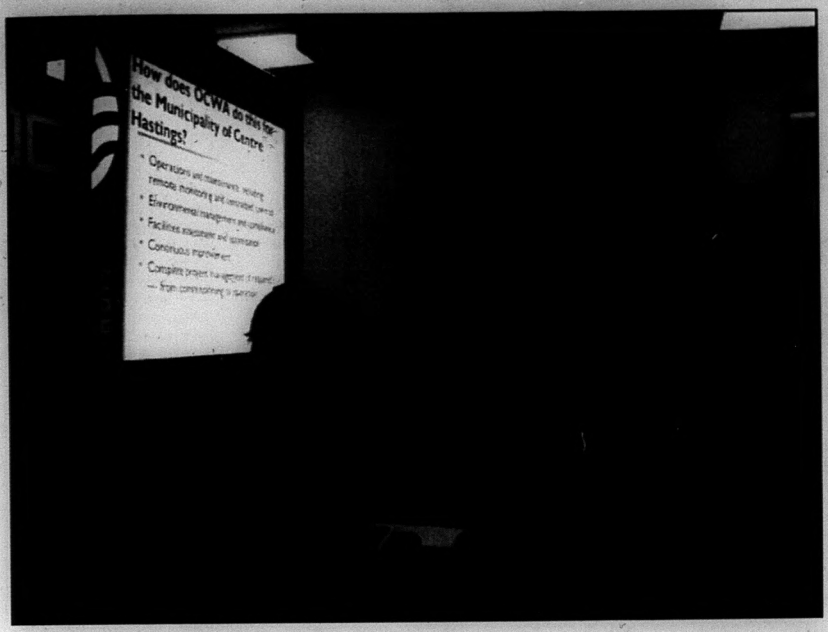
Sat., Sept. 13 – Ways & Means, Chairman Rick Doyle, will be drawing the winning ticket for half a pig. Get those tickets?

Sick & Visiting: Jack Cain is home now and relaxing on the front porch.

Have a safe long weekend and be careful on the roads.



Ten teams came out for the third monthly Legion Horseshoe tournament last Saturday. Dennis Ornerod shows off his winning form; the next throw was yet another ringer! 1st place was the team of Brian Pierce and Todd Booth; 2nd Dennis Ornerod and Marilyn Claus. Longest game was 43 minutes, played by Terry Brown and Keith Pierce who were defeated by Jim Dwyer and Bob Darby. ***photo/Nancy Derrer***



Council meets OCWA delegatio

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Problems can be fixed remotely from Belleville, or alternatively a crew can be sent to the site.

Reeve Deline asked why there are 'charges' of chlorine in the water, which he said he has noticed himself at his workplace, and has heard from residents. Jamie Hennigar explained that the provincial requirement is for 0.2 mg/L of water at the end-point of the water system, and since chlorine dissipates with time, the levels actually put into the water at the source are around 1.2 to 1.7, and sometimes, especially near the pump or on a part of the system, th result in a noticeable in the chlorine level. rine has saved more than any other chemic said. "I know there ar lems associated with the alternatives? There alternatives."

Catherine Barr of the OCWA speaks at the Centre Hastings council meeting last Wednesday. **photo/ Lawrence McAllister**

Power failure

The recent power did not particularly them, they said, a monitoring hardware standing with its ow up power supply. Th up power lasted fr hours on most of the ment.

Barr explained number of reasons too-low cost esti ranging from a wat break to chlorine pur ures.

Quinte Symphony set to begin new season

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Delight to McCauley's *Christmas Carol Fantasia.* Quinte's own Belleville Choral Society (Susan Richardson, Director) will delight with *Fantasia on Greensleeves* by Vaughan Williams, RBC Investment Advisors Michiel Duinker, Michael Moffatt, Peter Peterson, Will Skilliter and Lisa Thompson are the generous sponsors of this concert.

Outside the four-concert series is a Special Event, **Peter Appleyard, Sweet 'n' Mellow**. February 8, 2004 will see Quinte Symphony hosting Canadian jazz legend, Peter Appleyard, with his ensemble, fresh from the stages of Carnegie Hall, and Europe. They will perform such classics as *Getting Sentimental over You, Sophisticated Lady, Misty and The Nearness of You.* Peter was awarded the 50th Anniversary Queen's Jubilee Medal. This celebrated Canadian hasn't lost his touch for music magic; don't miss the quintessential mellow!

Tselyakov Rocks! On March 28, 2004, world-class pianist, Alexander Tselyakov, will astound with his virtuosity, as he performs Rachmaninoff's *Second Piano Concerto in C minor* (affectionately known as "Rocky II"), in concert with the Quinte Symphony. Having graced stages around the world, amassed an impressive discography and garnered the top prize at the prestigious *Tschaikovsky Competition*, this native Russian son now makes his home in Canada. Mr. Tselyakov will be performing on the signature 9-foot official Yamaha concert grand piano, which is being imported from Toronto especially for this concert! This concert is graciously sponsored by McDougall Insurance Brokers.

Our finale concert on Saturday, May 8, 2004 is the wildly-popular **Last Night of the Proms**, when this grand U.K. tradition will return to offer up beloved selections of Victorian light favorites to a packed house! Marvelous Canadian mezzo-soprano, Mari van Pelt, will delight you with selections from Lerner & Loewe's *My Fair Lady.* Be treated to 'Proms' favourites, including Parry's *Jerusalem*, Elgar's *Pomp and Circumstance March*, Arne's *Rule Britannia* and Wood's *Fantasy on British Sea Songs.* This concert is kindly made possible by Christopher Maguire, CIBC Wood Gundy. The setting is the opulent The Empire Theatre & Centre for the Performing Arts, Belleville. Over 700 cut-velvet seats, perfectly-positioned for optimum sightlines and state-of-the-art acoustics will delight the Quinte Symphony audience. During intermission, enjoy a glass of wine and relax with friend won't want to miss a scrumptious conce subscriptions or mor mation, call 613-96 or quintesymphony@symp Subscriptions are als able from the Empir tre & Centre for Perf Arts 613-969-0099.

Quinte Conservation to redesign website

Quinte Conservation plans to improve their website to enhance service to the public and area municipalities. The conservation agency has issued a 'Request for Proposals' for the redesign of their website.

"We want to provide the public with a dynamic new website that has up-to-date, useful information about our watersheds and Quinte Conversation's projects and programs," says Lucille Fragomeni, Quinte Conservation's Community Relations Coordinator.

"When it was created over six years ago, our present site was adequate, but it is no longer fulfilling our needs and the needs of the public we serve," she adds.

"The number of people accessing information through the internet is grow-

See Quinte
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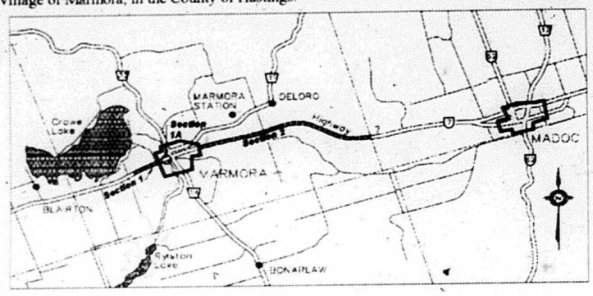
The Project

Earth Tech Canada Inc., on behalf of the Ministry of Transportation (MTO), has completed a Preliminary Design/Environmental Assessment Study for Highway 7 from 2.0 km West of Marmora to 6.6 km West of Highway 62, excluding the Village of Marmora, in the County of Hastings.



Preferred Design

The preferred design for the two sections of the Study Area involves the following activities:

Section 1

- Intersection improvements;
- Pavement rehabilitation and minor road widening;
- Provisions for a pedestrian walkway through the Marmora rock cut;
- Rock cut treatments;
- Crowe River Bridge rehabilitation; and
- Side road closures including Old Norwood Road at Highway 7 and Norwood Road south of Highway 7.

Section 2

- Intersection improvements;
- Pavement rehabilitation and minor road widening; and
- Existing westbound truck climbing lane extension and new eastbound truck climbing lane.

The Process

This study followed an approved planning process for Group 'B' projects of the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)*. As required, a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) has been prepared. Upon filing of this TESR, a 30 calendar day public review period commences. The TESR is now available for review until October 1, 2003 during normal business hours at the following locations:

Ministry of Environment
Kingston Regional Office
133 Dalton Avenue
P.O. Box 820
Kingston, Ontario.
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Ministry of Transportation
Eastern Region
355 Counter Street
Postal Bag 4000
Kingston, Ontario.
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The Municipality of Marmora and Lake
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County of Hastings
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235 Pinnacle Street
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Comments

During the public review period, interested persons are encouraged to review the TESR and provide comments. Please direct written comments to the Project Team at the addresses provided below.

If, after consulting with Earth Tech and the MTO you have serious unresolved concerns, you have the right to request the Minister of the Environment (135 St. Clair Avenue West, Toronto, Ontario, M4V 1P5) "bump-up" this project (i.e. make a Part II Order request under the *Environmental Assessment Act*). A "bump-up" may lead to preparation of an individual EA. A copy of the "bump-up" request should be forwarded to Earth Tech and the MTO.

If there are no outstanding concerns after the end of the public review period, the project will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA, and the project may proceed. For further information please contact one of the following Project Team members:

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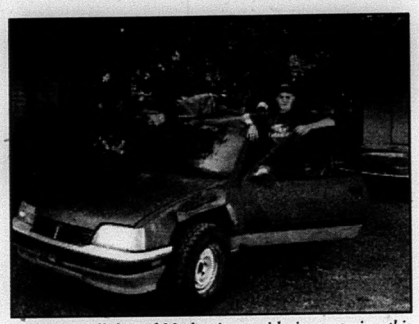
Deadline Sept. 19

Information on water levels, permits, fees, application and order forms, details about popular conservation areas and current projects are just some of the items proposed to be available to the public on the new site in early 2004.

Website design and development companies interested in submitting a proposal can contact Fragomeni at Quinte Conservation, 613-968-3434 for more details. The deadline for submitting proposals is Friday, September 19 at noon.

Quinte Conservation is a community-based environmental protection agency. It serves 18 municipalities in the watersheds of the Moira, Napanee and Salmon Rivers, and Prince Edward County. It provides cost effective environmental expertise and leadership that develops and delivers programs to ensure the healthy coexistence between the community, its environment and its economy.



Anthony Halliday of Madoc is considering entering this car in the June demolition derby next year; meanwhile, this year's fall derby will take place during the Fair on September 19-21. **photo/Lawrence McAllister**

Reaching for the sky -- St. Peter's Presbyterian Church undergoes maintenance last week.
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